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BY TELEGRAPH.

REPORT IS COMING.

Will Reach Washington Thursday, But Will Not Be Given Ont Till Monday. Many Rumors.

Key West, Mar. 22.—The naval board of inquiry into the causes of the Maine disaster has at last finished its work and submitted its report to Rear Admiral Sicard. The report was brought ashore from the Iowa by Judge Advocate Marix of the board. It was not known definitely at first that it was the report, but late in the evening Admiral Sicard admitted that the court of inquiry had made its final statement.

Admiral Sicard pointed out some alterations which he deemed necessary and the report will probably be taken to Washington today by Judge Marix. The decision reached is, still a matter of surmise. Admiral Sicard said last night that the case of the Maine is the most peculiar which ever occurred in the history of the world.

From the general tone of his remarks it might be inferred that the court findings do not definitely solve the mystery o the explosion. The court will remain in existence at the call of Admiral Sicard for some time.

There is a feeling of intense relief now that the report is decided upon. There is little doubt that it will be taken on the afternoon boat for Tampa today, thence by rail to Washington. It should be in the president's hands Thursday.

Will Not be Announced Till Monday

Washington, March 22.—After cabinet meeting today the following statement was given out: "It was understood at cabinet meeting today that the report of the board of inquiry would be here Thursday or Friday; that it is a very voluminous document; that probably it will not be given to the press and to congress before Monday; that the president will require that much time for its proper consideration."

FEVERISHLY EAGER.

Suspense In Washington Over the Conclusions of the Inquirers.

Washington, March 22.—Everybody is feverishly eager to learn the conclusions concerning what has so long been a subject of speculation, and pending the results "waiting" without fully daring to express a positive opinion or even to hold one. The suspense is wearying in the extreme. No other topic than our strained relations with Spain receives any attention or any honest discussion; debates in congress upon questions which would ordinarily be regarded as highly important now fall flat, unless perchance, they bear in some way even remotely upon the vexed problem which overshadows everything else. In the same manner all the Cuban discussion centers around the one point that this is a time to await developments, that it cannot now be known whether the future is war or peace, or whether diplomacy will be able to find the way out.

The president, as soon as he has digested the report, which is expected Thursday, at the latest, will communicate a copy of it which he has ordered for the purpose to Mr. Woodford, together with instructions to bring it to the immediate attention of the Spanish government, and to ask for explanation or reparation and for a reply within a limited period.

After he has mailed this communication, the substance of which will also be cabled to Mr. Woodford, he will communicate the report to both houses of congress, accompanied by a message stating what he has instructed Mr. Woodford to say to the Spanish government, and the fact that he is awaiting the reply of that government. He does not desire any action by congress, but, on the contrary, desires and expects, under the assurances he received yesterday from Speaker Reed and other leaders who have direct charge of matters relating to our foreign affairs, to have the report and message referred to the committee on foreign affairs in the house and the committee on foreign relations in the senate. The majority of both houses are expected to gratify the administration in this respect, and also to allow the report and message to remain in committee until the president receives Spain's reply, which he will undoubtedly communicate to congress, and if that is satisfactory, as he hopes it will be, the Maine incident will end right there.

To Recognize Cuba.

Washington, March 22.—Representative King of Utah has introduced the following joint resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba: "Resolved by the senate and house of representatives, that the republic of Cuba having established and maintained an independent government capable of performing those duties, foreign and domestic which appertain to independent governments, and it appearing that there is no longer any reasonable prospect of the successful prosecution of the war by Spain against said state, it is expedient and proper and in conformity with the laws of nations and the practice of this government in like cases that the independent political existence of said state be asknowledged by the government of the United States."

Senator Thurston on Intervention.

Omaha, March 22.—"If the time for the intervention of the United States in the affairs of Cuba is not here now it never will come," said Senator Thurston yesterday. "I wired Senator Allen to announce that I would speak on the Cuban question in the senate next Thursday."

The senator declared that the only solution of the trouble was intervention, unless the people of the United States were willing to see the work of starvation, already so far advanced, completed. The reconcentrados, he said, were absolutely without hope, and if the death rates in any parts of the island were decreasing it was only because the material for starvation to work upon was giving out.

Endicott Chief of Docks.

Washington, March 22.—The president has appointed Civil Engineer Mordecai T. Endicott to be chief of the bureau of yards and docks, navy department, to succeed Rear Admiral E. O. Matthews, whose term expired last Tuesday.



REAR ADMIRAL MATTHEWS.

In view of the probability of the early construction of four or five drydocks, this bureau becomes one of the most important in the navy department. Mr. Endicott, as bureau chief, will also be a member of the general board, which determines questions of general policy relating to the navy. The appointment of a civil engineer to this position is an innovation in naval service.

House Passed Relief Act.

Washington, March 22.—The house unanimously passed the act for the relief of the survivors and victims of the Maine disaster. It reimburses the surviving officers and men for the losses they sustained to an amount not to exceed a year's sea pay, and directs the payment of a sum equal to a year's pay to the legal heirs of those who perished.

There was quite a spirited debate over an amendment suggested by Mr. Cannon to give the survivors each a year's pay out of hand instead of attempting to reimburse them for actual losses. Old scandals in connection with the reimbursement of the survivors of the Samoan disaster were raked up, but the debate in the end was saved from a rather sordid tone by a beautiful tribute paid to the gallant dead by Mr. Cousins of Iowa, in a short but eloquent speech. He aroused the galleries to spontaneous applause when he said that while the vultures might be watching over the dark waters of Havana harbor for the belated dead, above all the eagle's piercing eye was watching for the truth.

No Desire to Legislate.

Washington, March 22.—The short session of the senate yesterday was quite unusual for the first working day of the week. That no one was prepared to go on with any pending measure was given as the explanation, but privately the opinion was stated by some of the senators that while the Cuban question remained in such suspense there was no desire to take up important legislation.

The outlook as to Cuba was discussed among senators almost to the exclusion of other topics, and the belief was quite decided that the administration was preparing to take a positive position within the next week. Several senators made the prediction that the United States would intervene. Being pressed for a reason, they stated they had reached their conclusion after more or less conference with executive officers, at the same time saying quite emphatically that they had not positive information on this point. Other senators thought the recognition of Cuban independence more probable than intervention. Almost all expressed the view that some action surely would follow the report of the Maine court of inquiry regardless of its purport.

Dying by the Thousands.

New York, March 22.—"Nothing that has been published, nothing that could be published could tell the story as it really is," said Dr. Chado, who has just returned from Cuba, where he served in the insurgent army.

"I know of my own knowledge that in many sections of Cuba they are digging up the earth for the worms that they may find. It is not every one who is able to dig. Most of them are so weak that they are unable to move. Those who can, however, look for the worms, as it is the only food that they are able to obtain. They are dying by the thousands—not the men who are doing, or hope to do the fighting that eventually must end in triumph, put the poor women, the children and the reconcentrados. Whole sections have been blotted out, and ruin is everywhere visible."

Spain Is Exhausted.

Brussels, March 22.—A dispatch from Madrid describes an interview with Mr. Margall, at one time president of the Spanish federal republic and chief of the ministry, in which he is represented as declaring that Cuba is practically lost to Spain. "Spain is exhausted," he is reported as saying. "She must withdraw her troops and recognize Cuban independence before it is too late. By an immediate recognition she would obtain payment of a portion of the war debt and commercial advantages."

Spanish Court Hasn't Reported.

London, March 22.—The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail says: "Mr. Sagasta, the premier, declares that the government has not received the report from the Spanish naval court on the Maine disaster; that no definite news has come from Washington in the matter, and that all statements with reference to the United States claiming indemnity or offering to submit the Maine question to arbitration are pure inventions."

BY TELEGRAPH.

BLANCO WILL RESIGN

If Spain Does Not Send Fleet to Cuba. Substantial Report From Havana.

New York, March 22.—A special from Havana says that Captain General Blanco has sent a dispatch to the government at Madrid, which says:

"If the Spanish torpedo fleet is halted at the Canaries at President McKinley's command, then consider this my resignation from office."

Admiral Manterola and the Spanish minister of the marine at Madrid are understood to have made the same request.

Madrid papers are publishing full accounts of "American preparations," and urge the government to strengthen the Cuban squadron.

Autonomist Advances Fail.

Havana, March 22.—It is now known positively that the negotiations between delegates of General Pandos and General Garcia of the insurgents in which the radical autonomists made final offers of practical independence have proved an absolute failure, and hostilities have been resumed.

Spanish Minister's Dispatch.

Madrid, March 22.—The Spanish government has received a dispatch from its minister at Washington saying that the report of the board of inquiry holds that the explosion was of external origin.

Spain Anticipates War.

Madrid, March 22.—It is said on authority that the Spanish government will refuse to accept any finding of the Maine commission which may suggest Spanish responsibility. What is more, that intention is known to the United States government. The ministerial view is that the imputation which such a finding would have, if admitted, would forever be an irremovable blemish upon Spain's reputation as a civilized country, and that this she could not possibly bear. If the report of the commission throws blame upon Spain which would carry with it a call for indemnity, the peninsular government will forthwith make an appeal to the combined European powers, on the plea of equity and common fairness, to intervene in favor of Spain against what every Spaniard would esteem as a most iniquitous finding.

Instructions have been given, since Friday night, to the press censor to stop all foreign and domestic press telegrams—and even telephone messages—containing news unpalatable to the government. Details of military and naval preparations, of the movements of war vessels, particularly of the flying squadron, of the purchase of vessels of war and stores abroad are especially interdicted.

Secured an Italian Vessel.

Rome, March 22.—Spain's purchase of the Italian cruiser Garibaldi may be considered as concluded. She has already deposited $260,000 of the $3,400,000 which is the price of the vessel, with the Rothschilds of London. The Argentine republic has bought the warship Varese from Italy. The Garibaldi is a sister ship of the Varese, and was launched at Sestri-Ponente last September.

To Have Another Ship.

Havana, March 22.—It is asserted on the authority of a warm friend of Captain C. D. Sigsbee of the Maine that he has received orders to hold himself in readiness for another command of a ship as powerful as the Maine. This has a further significance, inasmuch as, if the court of inquiry on the loss of the Maine had found it to be due to an internal explosion, Sigsbee would have been relieved of all command and ordered under arrest for trial by court-martial.

Big Job Ahead.

Washington, March 22.—A troublesome question has arisen in connection with the proposed system of fortifications at Tortugas. The engineer officers who have been investigating the matter estimate that it will cost about $1,000,000 and take nearly two years to put the island in a proper state of defense from sea attack. Secretary Alger and his assistant hesitate to embark on an undertaking of that extent unless the navy department considers the work absolutely necessary. Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, representing Secretary Long, was not prepared to assume the responsibility without further consultation with the naval officers specially interested in the establishment of the coaling station, and definite action was postponed in order to give him an opportunity further to investigate the matter.

American Generosity.

New York, March 22.—The committee on Cuban relief has decided to charter a vessel to take 2000 tons of cornmeal and 200 tons of bacon to Cuba within 10 days from Saturday last. The supplies have been purchased at a cost of $50,000, and will be delivered in this city during the week. The committee has had a most gratifying response to its 10,000 circulars distributed in New York and New Jersey, and it is thought probable that a second steamer will have to be chartered within four weeks.

The receipts daily are now so large that the committee has opened a warehouse, where the goods are carefully examined, repacked and arranged in shipments, and then forwarded to the various American consuls. Notification has reached the committee that a carload of corn is en route from North English, Ia.; a carload of provisions from Rome, Ind.; 5000 pounds of beans, 163,125 grains of quinine, 2000 pounds of codfish, 960 pounds of condensed milk and other supplies from Portland, Me., and numerous consignments from other places.

The Rev. J. V. Corta writes from Tampa, Fla., asking for aid for the 15,000 refugees there, 3000 of whom have no means of making a living. Stephen E. Barton, president of the committee, has made arrangements with the Clyde line to send contributions to Jacksonville and from there to Tampa by the Southern Express company, both corporations agreeing to make the transportation free of charge.

Chandler's Views.

Concord, N. H., March 22.—Senator W. E. Chandler, in an editorial on the Cubans in his paper, The Monitor, says: "Relief will go with the approval of Spain if she consents, or will be carried by American sailors and soldiers without that approval if she does not consent. To longer tolerate the existing cruelties will dishonor the American nation, and the end of starvation and torture is near at hand. Every humane person in this whole land should sustain and bless the president in his coming proclamation, which is to cause the name of William McKinley to be held in sacred reverence by the Cuban generations as long as will be revered the name of Abraham Lincoln by the colored race in America."

BOSTON OPINION.

The Post Says There Is No Jingoism In the Pulpit.

Boston, March 22.—"The question is asked very pointedly from the pulpits of this country," The Post says, "how we can criticise the 'concert of powers' in Europe for permitting the atrocities in Armenia while we look on, without lifting a finger, upon the atrocities in Cuba. The massacre of thousands in the distant recesses of the ottoman empire calls less loudly upon our humanity than the murder by starvation of hundreds of thousands of Cuban women and children within a few hours' sail of our shores. This is the humanitarian view. It is the christian view of the situation. Is the pulpit of the United States given over to 'jingoism?' Far from it. The voice of the American pulpit is today most surely the voice of the American people. It is in union with the voice of the truly American press."

"A day or two more of patient waiting," The Journal says, "and the report of the naval court of inquiry is likely to pass into the possession of the president in Washington. This to all appearances is the real truth which is to be gathered from the contradictory rumors, and the people must not be too eager to have President McKinley disclose the information. He is entitled to sufficient time to consider at his leisure the evidence on which the verdict of the court is based. He can be trusted to give the report to the country just as soon as he has had a fair opportunity to peruse its contents."

The Advertiser remarks "The Cuban insurgents should conduct their campaign as far as possible according to the methods of civilized warfare; and these customs require that an offer of peace be at least accorded a fair hearing before it is finally rejected. The Cuban leaders admit that they have a high regard for public opinion in the United States; and they would justify the confidence of the American friends of the movement for Cuban independence by accepting the Spanish request for a hearing. It must not be inferred, however, that the acceptance of the request for a hearing in any way implies or entails an acceptance of the Spanish conditions. That is a matter to be decided upon by the Cubans alone. Theirs is the responsibility for the outcome of their campaign, whatever it may be."

The Globe maintains that "it is useless to scare the American people out of their propriety by bugaboos. The tory newspapers which are so busily engaged in inventing impossible theories of peril here and there from bombardment by Spanish fleets, and of forcible intervention by great European powers to prevent the United States freeing Cuba, will have their foolish labor for their pains. They may demoralize a peculiarly timid stock market, perhaps, but they cannot frighten the plain people."

Boxer Likely to Die.

Trenton, N. J., March 22.—Henry Brown of Trenton was probably fatally injured in a boxing contest before the Palace Sporting club last night by a blow on the jaw from his opponent, Jack Smith, also a local man, in the fifth round. Brown lasted the limit of six rounds. He was immediately afterward taken to a hospital, where his condition was found to be serious. Referee Sam C. Austin of New York and Smith were arrested.

Hand on Her Throat.

Mansfield, Mass., March 22.—Mrs. Elizabeth W. Jones, aged about 70, and living alone in a small cottage, was awakened Monday morning by a man who was leaning over her with one hand tightly clutched over her throat. She grappled with him and succeeded in frightening him so that he left the premises. The woman was so badly frightened that it was several minutes before she was able to call for assistance.

Refusal Led to Murder.

Wellsville, O., March 22.—While returning from church Sunday night Oliver Reed asked Sarah Walton to marry him, and upon her refusal he drew a revolver and shot her through the heart. He then blew out his brains. An examination of papers found on his body showed that the deed was premeditated.

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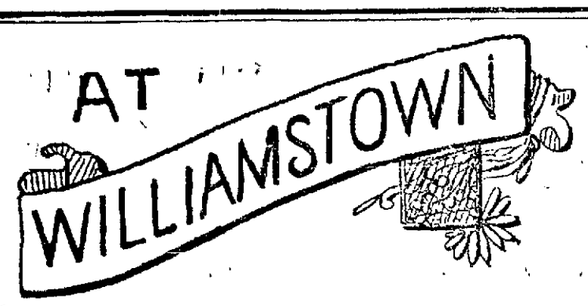
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He Lost His Bottle—S. J. Kellogg to Run for Town Clerk—Death of William H. Reed—Selectmen Behind With Their Report—Signals for No Session of Schools.

Selectmen Behind With Report.

It is said the selectmen's report will not be completed and printed by next Monday, the date of the annual town meeting, and in consequence business men and the voters generally, so far as they have learned of the situation, are complaining loudly, as it will necessitate an adjournment of the meeting after the officers have been elected. The fiscal year ends March 1 and it is claimed there has been ample time to get out the report and have it in the hands of the voters according to a by-law which provides that a copy shall be mailed to every taxpayer seven days before the annual meeting. The town cannot act intelligently on its affairs for the coming year without the report for the year just closed, and so adjournment until such time as the report can be completed will be the only remedy. The report has many times appeared later than was desired, but this is the first time in the history of the town that anything like this has happened.

Death of William H Reed.

William Henry Reed died Sunday at his home in Riverside, aged 44 years. His death was caused by pneumonia, with which he had been sick for only a week. He was not a robust man and he failed rapidly after the disease had fastened upon him. Mr. Reed had been employed for some time as janitor of the school house at the station. He was an industrious man and a good neighbor and citizen. He was a member of the Methodist church and was respected by the community as a conscientious and upright man. He leaves a wife and three children who have much sympathy in their affliction. The funeral was held at Clark chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Edward Wilson officiating, and the burial was in the east cemetery.

He Lost His Bottle.

A badly intoxicated stranger left the 1.32 express train when it stopped at the station Monday afternoon. He carried several packages, or attempted to, but his condition was such that he could not successfully handle them and himself, and frequently one or more of them dropped to the platform. Most of the packages were recoverable, but when a quart bottle of whisky struck the curbing the glass was pulverized and the contents loaded all the surrounding atmosphere with its fumes. The man said not a word, but looked on sadly while Baggageman Dufraine with his broom brushed the wreckage away and mixed it with the accumulation of cinders along the track.

Mr. Kellogg to Run.

S. J. Kellogg has at the urgent solicitation of his friends consented to run for town clerk on nomination papers and the papers were filed with the town clerk Monday. At the caucus the nomination for this office was the only one made by ballot and Mr. Kellogg stood third, Edmund Noel leading and George W. Nichols being second. At first Mr. Kellogg decided to abide by the result, but after much urging he concluded to enter the field in the above named manner. The fight will be an interesting one and at this stage it would be difficult to name the winner. An unusually large number of candidates are running on nomination papers this spring.

No-Session Signals.

An arrangement has been made with the fire commissioners by which the fire alarm will be sounded whenever there is to be but one session of the public schools. The signal will be one stroke of the bell and one long blast on the whistle at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. If, on account of the weather, no session is to be held during the day, the signal will be given at 8 o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. F. A. Paige is visiting in Boston Mr. Paige returned from that city Monday.

The finishing work in the high school building has been begun, the wainscoting and casing material having arrived. The finish will be ash and the floors maple. The flooring is furnished by Waterman & Moore.

Three deer came out of the woods and stood for some time Monday on a knoll not far from John McClen's house in the White Oaks. Mr. McClen's shepherd dog soon showed up and the animals bounded away. The dog was not allowed to chase them.

The schools at the station held no session Monday forenoon, the fires for some reason being down and the rooms cold.

John H. McClain is running for constable on nomination papers.

A parsnip 30 inches long was dug from N. H. Sabin's garden Monday. The garden is managed by David Porter, who may safely challenge any one to beat this record.

H. G. Preston is temporarily assisting Neyland & Quinn in their boot and shoe department.

Letters are advertised at the postoffice for Mrs. J. L. Lunn, Miss Mary White and Curtis Wadsworth.

J. Frank Torry, who is traveling for the Bowker Fertilizer company, spent Sunday in town with his parents.

A horse and wagon were left close to the car track a short distance east of the depot Monday afternoon and when the car leaving Main street at 5 o'clock reached the place it had to stop until the conductor could move two or three barrels of apples out of the way. The wagon had broken down and the driver after unloading the apples had gone for another team. The car had barely room to pass the team, the conductor standing at the horse's head as it did so.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union met with Mrs. George M. Hopkins at her home on Hoxie avenue this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Methodist church will debate the Cuban question in the Sunday school room Friday evening. Hutchinson, '98, and Packard, '99, will be the leaders.

The Methodist Sunday school is rehearsing an attractive Easter program.

Mark Spooner, who has been sick for several weeks, was taken to the North Adams hospital Monday.

Whist was the principal entertainment at the meeting of the Cosmopolitan club Monday evening.

A man driving a spirited horse on Water street Saturday, accidently drove against a hydrant and his road cart was broken. The horse became much excited and there would probably have been a runaway had not Sheriff Richards, who happened to be near by, sprang from his wagon and seized the horse by the head before he could gather himself together for a plunge. The owner of the horse was very grateful to the sheriff for his timely assistance.

Pyrocura.

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General Agency.

Read the advertisement in another column. There's money in it.

Heavy Loss [illegible]

An extremely well dressed young woman stood before the "art needlework" counter of one of the dry goods stores in Washington. She was unmistakably tailor made, and her "scolding locks" were pinned up with a coiled snake of turquoises. Half a dozen times she tried to engage the attention of the saleswoman, who had enough customers waiting to have occupied five saleswomen. Every time the saleswoman responded, "In a minute I'll wait on you," and went placidly on attending to the wants of somebody else. The well dressed young woman trembled with impatience.

"These Washington clerks don't understand their business like New York clerks," she said to her companion. "A New York clerk can wait on eight people at once."

"It's outrageous having to wait this way," said the companion, who wore an owl on her hat.

"It's shameful," said the first young woman.

"It's perfectly horrid," said the second.

"The people that keep this store ought to be taught a lesson," said the first young woman. "I've a great mind to go somewhere else, I have."

This terrible threat seemed to move the saleswoman. She rolled her eyes languidly toward the young woman.

"What is it you want?" she asked.

"I want one skein of silver gray filo," said the well dressed young woman, and everybody heaved a sigh of relief. The store had been saved the loss of a customer. The filo was 4 cents.—Washington Post.

Not Resourceful.

Miss Footlites—Is Bessie Flyes much of an actress?

Miss Tawmenter—Yes and no. She acts well enough, but then she does not possess a particle of tact. She wastes hours in studying her parts, which might be so much more profitably employed in getting biographical eccentricities for the press.—Boston Transcript.

Very Likely.

Mr. Hogg—Here is some fool says in the paper that women have forgotten how to laugh.

Mrs. Hogg—I guess he means married women.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Swift Retribution For a Thief.

A remarkable coincidence has just happened at Portsmouth. A local doctor, visiting a colleague at his surgery three miles off, left his bicycle resting against the curb outside. When his call was ended, the bicycle was missing, and he communicated with the police, afterward returning home. An hour or two later a constable on duty in the neighborhood of this doctor's surgery saw a cyclist fall from the machine he was riding, which had slipped on the car tracks. The man, a young gunner in the Royal artillery, was found to be seriously hurt and was taken to the surgery for medical treatment. The doctor recommended the man's removal to the hospital, his leg being fractured. As he was being taken away the doctor looked at the bicycle and found that it was his own.—Westminster Gazette.

THE HORSE SHOW.

Cobwebs, 2:12, stands 16 hands 1 inch at the shoulder.

H. H. Hunn has taken Mohawk Prince and Arratol to Venezuela to race.

The own sister of Crosceus, 2:11¼, showed a mile in 2:34¼, last season, as a 3-year-old.

The determination to race Jay Hawker, 2:14¾, this year has been reconsidered and he will be in the stud.

Belle Cassett, 2:14¼, the well known gray trotting mare, is to be bred to the pacer, Milton S, 2:09¼.

Hon. George Flint of North Anson, Me., has raised five colts by St. Croix, 2:14¾, and sold four of them for $3,800.

The dispersal of Cloverdell Farm will throw the greatest lot of producing brood mares ever collected on the market.

E. M. Gillis, Worcester, Mass., has bought the 3-year-old, Tugboat, by Baradа, dam by Gambetta Wilkes. He has shown a half in 1:07.

Sarah Jane, 2:18¾, by Edgar Wilkes, weighs but 650 pounds. She will be trained and raced this season by John Kervick, Worcester, Mass.

Modena, 2:35¼, owned by E. Alvord, Hartford, is likely to be in the Connecticut race brigade this coming season. She has speed and race horse quality.

Secretary Horace Wilson says the prospects for the entry to the Kentucky futurity are better than they have been at any time since the depression in prices set in.

Percy, the Ponce de Leon gelding that brought $3,700 at public auction in New York, is marked almost exactly like Dexter, and bears a striking resemblance to that gelding.

Manitoba at last boasts a 2:10 performer. George Laurence of that province has purchased, in Oregon, the pacing stallion Pathmont, 2:09¼, brother of the trotter Altao, 2:09¾, by Altamont, dam Sally M, by Pathfinder. He will be used as a sire only.

WHEN DOCTORS DISAGREE.

He looked at my tongue and he shook his head—
This was Doctor Smart—
He thumped on my chest, and then he said:
"Ah, there it is—your heart!
You mustn't run, you mustn't hurry,
You mustn't work, you mustn't worry.
Just sit down and take it cool.
You may live for years—I cannot say—
But in the meantime make it a rule
To take this medicine twice a day."

He looked at my tongue and he shook his head—
This was Doctor Wise.
"Your liver's a total wreck," he said.
"You must take more exercise.
You mustn't eat sweets,
You mustn't eat meats,
You must walk and leap, you must also run,
You mustn't sit down in the dull old way—
Get out with the boys and have some fun,
And take three doses of this a day."

He looked at my tongue and he shook his head—
This was Doctor Bright.
"I'm afraid your lungs are gone," he said,
"And your kidney isn't right.
A change of scene is what you need.
Your case is desperate, indeed,
And bread is a thing you mustn't eat—
Too much starch; but, by the way,
You must henceforth live on only meat
And take six doses of this a day."

Perhaps they were right and perhaps they know—
It isn't for me to say—
Mayhap I erred when I madly threw
Their bitter stuff away,
But I'm living yet, and I'm on my feet,
And grass isn't all that I dare to eat,
And I walk and I run, and I worry, too;
But to save my life I cannot see
What some of the able doctors would do
If there were no fools like you and me.
—S. E. Kiser in Cleveland Leader.

A VANISHED GROOM.

It was the moment of supremest pleasure to Abner. The wedding canopy had been raised, the benediction uttered, the ring placed on the bride's finger, the kiss given to seal the union. She was his own at last. His highest ambition had been gratified. With words of congratulation his friends crowded around him. It was a joyous atmosphere indeed, while his wife gazed at him with the lovelight in her eyes.

"Dearest," he exclaimed suddenly as he withdrew with her for a moment to a corner of the apartment which overlooked the garden with its winding paths, from which strains of music arose, inviting all to the dance; "dearest, I must leave thee now."

"Oh, Abner," the bride half sobbed in reply, "wouldst thou leave me at this moment of all moments in the world? Why, the echoes of the marriage blessings still resound in the air. Whither wouldst thou go, dearest? Surely," she added, with a look of reproach, "thy place is now at my side. Wouldst thou forsake me on our wedding day?"

"Nay, my beloved; make no close inquiry, nor seek to restrain me. I must go. I have sworn to go. Only trust in me and doubt not my faithfulness. I shall return within an hour, and then explain all to thee. Have no fear for my sake." And without further farewell than a quick embrace Abner left her and hurried into the open air before the astonished guests could realize that the bridegroom was missing.

Of all the youth in Jerusalem Abner and Caleb were the comeliest lads, and their friendship had grown into a proverb. Close companions at school from boyhood to early manhood, no love could have been more tender, no sympathy more profound, than that which made them kindred spirits. They were fond of the same pleasures, they shared the same dreams, their studies and occupations were alike, their aspirations identical. They loved to give free rein to their fancies with youth's rapt enthusiasm and build such dream palaces that the magic splendor of Solomon's creations paled in comparison. What a daring architect is youth! It knows not the impossible. It bridges the chasm of infinite time. It rears a structure to the highest heaven. It summons to its aid principalities and powers, and never acknowledges defeat. Love and hope and faith are the patient genii who at its exultant bidding transform earth and sky.

Among the topics which Abner and Caleb were fond of discussing as they grew to maturity the future life and immortality appealed to them most strongly. The fact that it was but dimly foreshadowed in the law and the prophets added to its fascination, and the rare references to it in the debates of the schools only increased its hold upon them. One day in the heat of their arguments Caleb, more impassioned than usual, had seized his companion's hand.

"Abner," he exclaimed, "wouldst thou know the secrets of eternal life?"

"Why, Caleb," Abner rejoined, moved by his friend's earnestness, "what a strange question to ask? How can we mortals understand aught of immortality? Does not our law say that 'the secret things belong to the Lord.'"

"Faith can pierce all barriers, dear friend," Caleb answered impressively, "and love, though buried from sight, can make its own revelation."

"What dost thou mean, Caleb, by those mysterious words and thrilling tones?" Abner inquired, deeply stirred, for he felt that never before had their conversation been so earnest.

"Dost thou not believe, Abner, in immortality?"

"Surely, Caleb, I do, as the central conviction of my nature."

"If this is thy belief, then, may not the immortal spirit seek converse with mortality and minister to the wants and desires of mortal flesh on earth?"

"Caleb, thou shouldst not speak in this strain. It is almost blasphemy. Think of the fate of the sons of Aaron who brought strange fire into the sanctuary!"

"Nay, Abner, I am guilty of no blasphemy. I am convinced that those who pass from life do not become as petrified as the slabs that cover them. They hover around those who loved them and whom they loved on earth and mingle in their joys and sorrows."

"It must be so, Caleb, if thou thinkest so," said Abner after a pause.

"Come, Abner," Caleb solemnly exclaimed, "let us swear by the eternal that if either of us die the survivor shall seek to communicate with the departed one and visit the sepulcher at the moment of his highest happiness on earth. Then it is my fervent belief that the secret of heavenly happiness will be unfolded, and we shall attain the highest degree of intelligence."

The compact was made—an unusual thing in those days among the pious Jewish youth—and the conversation ended. In a few years Caleb died, and Abner, disconsolate and dejected, disdained for awhile all society, but spent the largest share of his leisure at the friend's grave, reflecting on his genial traits and their loving intercourse. Time, however, works its magical changes, and now he had married.

"I had almost forgotten thee, beloved Caleb," said Abner softly to himself as he left the crowded streets of Jerusalem and gained the roadway leading to the cemetery. "Surely this is the happiest moment of my life, wedded to the one I hold most dear. Could there be a more fitting time to think of thee and our mutual oath?"

It did not take long, for the distance was short and he walked with hurried steps, before Abner found himself close to the simple slab that covered the remains of Caleb. Flinging himself upon it, he gave way to his emotions, but by a strong effort his self control gained the mastery. Then he communed thus with the spirit of his friend:

"Beloved Caleb, not with fear and trembling but with glad confidence I approach thee. Thou remembereest our oath. I have come to thy grave at the full tide of my happiness, to learn of thy experience in the realms of bliss. Thou recallest our converse in those joyous days of youth when it was our desire to pierce all mystery. Be near to me now, dear friend, and in thy purified state uplift the veil which hides the mortal from the immortal. Inspire me now, oh, Caleb, with the knowledge I seek and let me not ask in vain."

Abner ceased, half expectant of some response. But no voice broke the stillness. The shadows of evening were deepening. One by one the stars shone in the firmament. Abner failed to notice the advancing night in his rapt contemplation. Then a faint murmuring rent the air and the trees that skirted the burial ground seemed to give forth a sobbing sound.

"Oh, Caleb," Abner entreated, with outstretched hands, "answer me. By the ineffable name of God, answer me."

The tremulous weeping of a child was borne on the breeze. A flash of lightning lit up the distant hills, and a rumbling as of thunder was heard.

"Do I disturb thee, oh, Caleb, from thy rest? Forgive me, beloved friend. But answer me, as thou didst swear to do. Tell me the delights of immortal life."

"Abner! Abner!" At the words Abner's countenance shone with sudden joy. "At last!" he exclaimed. "At last I hear thy voice again!"

"Abner, such a delight is mine as is comparable to no earthly bliss. So pure, so radiant, so serene, are my companions that my voice cannot describe a thousandth portion of my happiness. Have no regret at our severed friendship. A sweeter, stronger bond unites us now. Dost thou yearn to see again my features and clasp my hand as of old? Why, I am nearer to thee than in the past, and my eye sees clearer within where spirit responds to spirit and all is at perfect peace. I have solved the mystery. I have gained the heights."

The voice ceased for a moment and then it resumed:

"More could I tell thee. But dost thou know the penalty? A thousand years on earth are but as a moment in eternity. Even as thou communest with me here, beloved friend, the years vanish and life recedes. Oh, hasten, hasten, ere it be too late! Thy bride awaits thee and wonders why thou art tarrying. Wouldst thou learn the secret of eternal life? Make thy earth a heaven and live well thy mortal years, with their alternate sunshine and shade, as best preparation for immortality. But hasten, hasten! I dare speak no more, for thine own dear sake."

Again a child's tremulous wail was borne to Abner's ear. There came a flash of lightning and the muttering of thunder. Then the shadows lifted, and it was sunrise on earth, with a fresh, cheerful air sweeping across the hills.

"Why, I have been sleeping," Abner exclaimed, rising with difficulty from the ground. "How careless on my part! My limbs are as stiff as an old man's and my shaggy beard has grown overnight. A pretty figure to meet my bride!" he muttered as he moved with hesitating steps toward Jerusalem. He gained the old roadway, although its lines had changed. He did not recognize the fields in which some peasants were plowing, while on every side were scattered debris and heaps of stone.

"Almighty!" he entreated as he strained his sight for the accustomed glory of the temple mount. "Where art thou vanished, O Jerusalem? O beloved bride, shall I see thee no more? Home, friends, country, have I lost ye all?"

Abner had dreamed 70 years, and when the dream cloud had lifted bride and friends had long since died. The temple had fallen and Jerusalem had become a ruin—the spoil of triumphant Rome.

In seeking to pierce the mysteries of the future, the present had passed from view and left Abner in solitude. That was the penalty of seeing visions.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

THE TATTLER.

Mrs. Ballington Booth says: "The world does not need more sermons—it has them by thousands. It needs the lived out sermons."

Dr. Mary Walker's famous pension case has been decided against her. It has been pending many years and was for an increase of pension from $8.50 to $50 per month.

Mme. Patti has had the uncanny experience of reading her own obituary notices, the Australian papers having made the mistake of supposing that she and not her husband died recently.

Meda Wilhite of Buckner, Ky., now four years old, is probably the largest child of her age in the country. She weighs 120 pounds, has a chest measurement of 38 inches and is 4 feet high.

Mrs. Benton, who died on the isle of Wight a short time ago, was in the choir of St. Thomas Ryde for 79 years, and in all that time did not miss a service. She was 86 years old at the time of her death.

Miss Marie Corelli has recovered from the effects of the serious operation she recently underwent and wishes it to be widely known that she owes her life to the surgical skill of a woman, Dr. Scharlieb.

"Grandma" Hollingsworth, aged 64 years, of Arkansas City, gave birth to a healthy child on the 6th day of January, 1898. Her youngest child before this was 35 years old. She has been a grandmother many years.

Mrs. Persis Chase of Lancaster, N. H., has returned to the survivors of the Fourth North Carolina infantry their flag which was captured at Antietam. The Fifth New Hampshire captured it, and Colonel Cross gave it to his sister, Mrs. Chase.

Ilda Orme or Ida Jones, the celebrated song writer, is confined in an insane asylum in England, and Mrs. Katie Jones Badinger of Weatherford, Tex., who is her sister, has sailed from New York for London for the purpose of bringing her back to this country.

Mrs. Sarah Wilkins, a rich and eccentric widow of Atchison county, Kan., who manages a large farm successfully, but who is in constant litigation, pleads her own cases. Recently, by permission of the state supreme court, she pleaded her cause in a case before that august tribunal and won it.

"Mother" d'Arcambal, the founder of the Detroit Home of Industry, who has just celebrated her seventy-fifth birthday, has worked among the criminal classes all her life, and when the plans for the home were first made a prisoner under life sentence made the first contribution by giving everything he had in the world—1 cent.

Mrs. A. Connelly, an Effingham (Kan.) widow, annoyed by the village talk that she was bent on a second marriage venture, caused this notice to be published in The New Leaf, her county paper, "When I get ready to be married, I will tell the noseys all about it, but in the meantime they had better keep out of it, as it is none of their business."

Cycling on Brooklyn Bridge.

Trolley cars are running less than 50 feet apart on the Brooklyn bridge during the rush hours of the morning, but for all that cyclists manage to use the roadway as they did before the trolley invasion. The riders fall in behind a car, using the latter for pace. It is a dangerous proceeding, but as there is nothing else to do the riders make the best of a disagreeable situation.—New York Mail and Express.

Commonwealth of Massachussetts.

BERKSHIRE, ss.
District Court of Northern Berkshire.
North Adams, March 19th, 1898.
A. Cavazza vs. C. Perini.

This is an action of Contract to recover one hundred dollars, as by writ on file, dated the fifth day of March A. D. 1898 will more fully appear.

And it appearing to the Court, upon the suggestion of the plaintiff and inspection of the officer's return on said writ, that the defendant was not an inhabitant of this Commonwealth, nor resident therein at the time of service of said writ, and that he has no last and usual place of abode, tenant, agent or attorney in this Commonwealth known to the plaintiff or to said officer, and that no personal service of said writ has been made upon said defendant.

It is ordered by the Court here, that the plaintiff give notice to the defendant of the pendency of this action, and to appear before said Court to be holden at North Adams, within and for the County of Berkshire, on the sixteenth day of April next at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to answer to the same, by causing an attested copy of this order to be published in the North Adams Transcript, a newspaper printed in North Adams in said County of Berkshire, once in a week, two weeks successively, the last publication to be at least 14 days before the said sixteenth day of April next, or by depositing in the postoffice, postage prepaid, a true and attested copy of this order, addressed to the said defendant at Readsboro, Vermont, his last known residence and place of abode 14 days at least before the said sixteenth day of April A. D. 1898 that he may then and there appear and answer to said action,

And that this action be continued to the sitting of this Court to be holden as aforesaid, and so from day to day until notice shall be given to the defendant agreeably to this order.

EDWIN P. CADY,
Clerk of said District Court.

A true copy of Order.
Attest:
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All children attending the Kindergarten Schools must be successfully vaccinated before the opening of the fall term of school.

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AT ADAMS

Powers Signs With Louisville.

Michael J. Powers of Renfrew, now attending Notre Dame university in Indiana, has signed to play ball with the Louisville team the coming season. Mr. Powers is one of the most energetic young men in this town. Through his abilities as a ball player and by his good judgment in accepting all good opportunities offered him he has made a brilliant success. Several years ago he entered Exeter college, and stayed there for a time. Later he entered Holy Cross college at Worcester, and under his captainship the base ball team of that institution gained its most brilliant record. He is now at Notre Dame college and will be graduated from that university in June. Not only is Mr. Powers a first-class base ball catcher, but he is a good man at the bat and is never heard to grumble at decisions. One thing for which he deserves credit is the way in which he has attended his studies and the rank which he has held in his classes since he entered college. Next fall he expects to enter a medical school and become a doctor.

Badly in Need of Repair.

There is no denying the fact that Murray street is at present the worst street to drive over of any place in the town. The mud there from North Summer to Mill streets, is fully three feet deep and an wagon drawn through there sinks to the hubs. The street was cut through a meadow and was never graveled, but left like a newly ploughed field. It would not cost much to repair the street and certainly the town authorities if they were to make an investigation would have the street graveled or in some other way changed from its present condition.

McBride Has Signed.

Word has reached here that Peter McBride, who entered Manhattan college, New York, last fall, has signed to pitch for the Youngstown, N. Y., team the coming season. McBride is a typical ball player and men who know something about baseball say he is a coming star. He has great speed and his curves are of the best. His final games with Lyons, N. Y., last fall won for him an enviable reputation among the people of that place. His many local friends wish him all success the coming season.

This Evening's Reception.

A banquet will be given at the Baptist church this evening to the men of the Baptist congregation and their friends. It will be a very pleasant affair and is intended for social purposes and to help bring the men more closely together. A reception will be held from 7 to 8 o'clock. The supper will be served at 8 o'clock. Several North Adams men will be present and respond to toasts. The banquet committee is David Follett, A. H. Simmons and Henry A. Jones.

G. A. R. Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Grand Army was held Monday evening and was very interesting. Comrades Amidon of Sanford post of North Adams, and Comrade Bogart of Fitzpatrick, post of Holyoke, were present and made interesting remarks. The post will join the Sons of Veterans at the latter's meeting Saturday evening and a general discussion of the new Montgomery history will take place.

A Fine Collection.

Perhaps the finest collection of pictures shown in town for some time are those now on exhibition in the show window of Jenks & Mooney on Park street. They are 12 in number and are different views of L. L. Brown's residence and grounds on Commercial street. They were taken about eight years ago by Levi Marsh, the photographer and certainly are a credit to him.

To Have Uniforms.

The German Militaire society is having uniforms made at Harris Stunberg's tailoring establishment on Spring street. The suits are of blue with red trimmings on the coats and a red stripe on the trousers. They also have brass buttons. The members state that if war with Spain is declared they will offer their assistance at once.

Taken to Concord.

Chief Curran took George Malloy, 16 years old, to Concord reformatory today. The boy has been living with his mother and was accustomed to be "boss" of the house. He was in court some time ago and let go on promise of good behavior. Nothing could be done with him and so he was sentenced to Concord reformatory.

For This Evening.

Meeting of the Ladies' Degree of Honor lodge.

Meeting of the Renfrew Caledonian club.

Regular meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E.

Will Pay $2,000.

The trustees of Dictator lodge, Knights of Honor, of North Adams, will pay $2,000 this week to the heirs of the late Philip Hiser of this town. Mr. Hiser was an old member of the lodge.

Mrs. Hall of Ware is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Renfrew on East street.

Mrs. Margaret Hartwell of Willow street has gone to New York to finish a course in a cutting school there.

A. S. Daniels is in New York.

A daughter was born Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. John Poupense of Upton street.

An infant son of Michael and Mary Bernat died Sunday and was buried Monday afternoon.

James Ennis, an uncle of Mrs. James Day of Columbia street, died at his home in Clinton last Friday, and was buried Sunday.

Mrs. John Hughes and daughter, Miss Katie P. Hughes, are visiting friends in Spencer and Boston.

Madame Reeves is to move to Boston. Miss Ella Grace of Cheshire will continue the former's dressmaking establishment on Myrtle street.

W. B. McNulty has recovered from his illness and will resume his position at Hudson, N. Y.

Henry Garvey of Manhattan college New York has been the guest of his parents at Renfrew the past few days.

The Catholic order of Foresters held a meeting Monday evening and two new candidates were initiated.

Mrs. Patrick Keegan of Pittsfield, formerly of Renfrew, spent Monday with friends here.

F. E. Mole was in Windsor today.

Mrs. Katie McDonald of Williamstown has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald of Murray street.

The ladies of Trinity Methodist church will hold an apron sale at the church parlors Wednesday afternoon and evening. In the evening light refreshments will also be served.

Wanted.

Position doing housework by good German girl. Enquire of Mrs. Bittner of North Summer street.

To Rent.

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The Pioneer of the Klondike.

Mr. Joseph Ladue, who was summoned to Washington recently for a conference with the Secretary of War regarding the means of furnishing relief to Dawson City miners, has sold a large number of his choice lots in Dawson City, some of his best placer claims, and a magnificent quartz mine, besides his rich timber limit, including a sawmill which is earning $1350 a day net, to the Joseph Ladue Gold Mining and Development Company of Yukon. The directors of this company are among the most conservative and prominent men in the financial circles of New York. Those who are interested in the Klondike should read the notice of the new company printed in this issue.

DONT'S FOR WHEELWOMEN.

Don't ride without gloves.

Don't allow your escort to ride nearest the curbing. That is your place.

Don't wear white underskirts on a bicycle. They will not be white for long.

Don't wear more than one color in your whole costume, including hat and boots.

Don't boast of the superiority of your bicycle. In the slang of the day, "There are others."

Don't try to keep up a steady conversation while riding. You need your breath for pedaling.

Don't make short turns at corners. A bicycle will slip easily, particularly if the ground is not dry.

Don't hesitate to offer assistance in case of a spill whether the unfortunate is of your own sex or not.

Don't stand in the middle of the road to fix your lamp or pump your tire, so that every other rider will have to make a wide detour to pass you.

Don't start till you are certain that not only your bicycle but your costume is in perfect condition, so that nothing will break loose under the strain of riding.

Don't trim any part of your visible cycling costume with lace or frills of any kind. Remember that the best dressed wheelwoman is she who is most severely plain in every detail.

Don't keep on ringing your bell when you see that the driver of a horse is turning out to make room for you. The jangle of the bell may frighten the horse and is sure to annoy the driver.

Don't hesitate to accept assistance from a man in case you are in trouble with your bicycle. There is an occasion when a woman may take well meant help from a stranger of the opposite sex.—New York Ledger.

When a woman wants to break her husband of a bad habit, she gets some other woman to talk to him about it.—Chicago Record.

A man may inherit foolish traits from his father, but if he has a silly, romantic first name like St. Clare it was his mother who gave it to him.—Atchison Globe.

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THE KINETOSCOPE.

Spain may talk about plunging into war, but if she appreciated the fitness of things she would make a bee line for a pawnshop. —New York Mail and Express.

The English courts have decided that gambling debts cannot be collected. This will probably put the British aristocracy on a strictly cash basis.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Any one having an old calendar of 1887 may successfully utilize it for this year, as 1898 is an exact reproduction, holidays and all. This will not again occur until 1945.—Troy Budget.

Warden C. P. Hoyt of Denver has designed an electrical spanking chair for use in the industrial school for girls. Many will regard this as a rather shocking innovation.—New York Herald.

The rescue of the arctic whalers involves a 1,440 mile sleigh ride, with only six hours of light per day, and not a very good light at that. What a country for courtship Alaska must be.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Six widows have put in claims for a New York man's estate. Under the circumstances the best they can do is to organize a stock company and manage the estate for their mutual interests.—Philadelphia North American.

A Frenchman who ran away from his adversary in a duel is certified by his physician to have been suffering from tachypodia. It sounds better than "quick foot," just as kleptomania is preferred to the commoner word.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Roxbury hotel keeper had to pay $1,000 to a Boston woman who contracted pneumonia while a guest of his house. If the hotels of the country are compelled to keep the Boston woman above the freezing point, it is high time for them to overhaul their heating apparatus.—Washington Post.

PERT PERSONALS.

Sigsbee is an excellent example of a man of war who can hold his peace.—Syracuse Post.

The king of Spain is 13 years old now, and this is pretty likely to be his unlucky year.—Cleveland Leader.

Though not of much use as a baseball president, Mr. Wilder Abo may prove of some value as a legal precedent.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

There is a pianist in London named Murial Mustard, and they say he draws all the music out of the instrument he uses.—Nashville American.

James MacNeill Whistler must doff his cap to Emile Zola as a master craftsman in the gentle art of making enemies.—Philadelphia North American.

Russell Sage will lend the government money. Mr. Sage may not be deemed very patriotic, but he always takes a great deal of interest in things.—Indianapolis News.

We take it that Mr. James Thomson McCleary of Mankato, Minn., is out of politics. Mr. McCleary is the congressman who says Spain had a right to blow up the Maine.—Detroit News.

The fickleness of public sentiment is well displayed in the treatment of Adrian Constantine Anson. A year ago Chicago people gave him a magnificent silver service. Today they are trying to send him to the city council.—Omaha World-Herald.

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A Talk on Advertising.

TUESDAY, March 22, 1898.

There is an immense cumulative effect in continuous advertising. On every business day of the year every reader of the Philadelphia papers, on turning to a certain page, finds Wanamaker's advertisement. If it were the poorest written advertising in the world, this very regularity itself would probably make it pay. As it is, the Wanamaker ads are looked for because of their attractiveness—and they can always be found.

THE CRISIS AND THE COUNTRY.

The crisis of the war fever is rapidly approaching. Within a few days, apparently, we shall have passed the turning point for better or for worse. The most reliable of all the many conflicting dispatches as to the actions of the naval board of inquiry into the causes of the Maine disaster indicate that the report will come within a few days. Judge Advocate Marix of the court came ashore last night from the battleship Iowa, where the court has held its sessions, with what an officer of the ship said to be the report. The president has promised congress, and through it the public, that the full text of the report with its findings will be presented at once. Then for the first time since the night of February 15, when the Maine was either blown up from outside or exploded within, we shall know what to expect.

It is generally thought that the report will show the explosion to have been from without. The president is believed to expect it and to be preparing for it. He will act firmly, with the fixed purpose of demanding disavowal of intent, indemnity, and reparation. Carelessness of the officials is the least that can be urged for Spain, if the explosion was not in the ship. The Spanish government at Havana was bound by international law to afford reasonable protection to the ship of a friendly nation while that ship was within Spanish waters, with the knowledge and full consent of that government. The Spanish government at Havana had means of knowing whether the part of the harbor which its officers directed that the Maine should occupy was free from hidden peril, or was the lurking place of a gigantic and terrible mine of explosives. Even carelessness would make Spain responsible.

For days there has been quiet, the quiet of preparation without display. The country is in better condition to demand justice than it was a month ago, and it is in a better mood to demand it justly, if demand is necessary. If the report contains the decisive statement that the president expects, we shall remember that war is a last resort better than we should have before. But we are prepared to face the crisis.

NAMING THE WARSHIPS.

One of the important diplomatic questions of the war so far has been met and answered safely by Secretary Long. He has named the two new cruisers purchased from Brazil after the cities of New Orleans and Albany. Many other cities sought the honor, the most active being Buffalo and Providence, and these two cities may now turn their influence in favor of adding more cruisers to the navy, in order that they may be given another chance to present their claims.

There are now 19 cruisers in the navy bearing names of cities, only one vessel of that class, the Olympia, departing from the rule. This country is peculiar among nations from the fact that with the exception of the torpedo class no warship can be named after an individual, no matter how greatly his memory may be honored in other ways. The democracy of the United States is shown in this detail of its government.

The emigration to Klondike is nearly ended from North Adams, and the return immigration has begun.

The sugar season is a short one, say the men of the bush. The molasses barrel is again in danger of overwork.

Every Berkshire representative in the state legislature but one voted in favor of investigating the Boston gas ring.

Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, author of "Little Lord Fauntleroy," is suing for a divorce, after having been separated from her husband for some years. Oh, Dearest!

If the city finance committee can cut down the appropriations without cutting away essentials its work will be received with satisfaction by the taxpayers. But the board of estimates made its preliminary work very thorough.

The board of health does not need the stable ordinance. But it would be a big help in determining legally what one form of nuisance is. And public sentiment is not inclined to back the board of health any too vigorously unless it is acting under an ordinance.

The latest thing for fire department equipment is a trap door beside the bed of the driver and over the seat of the fire patrol wagon. It enables him to "drop into his seat," almost before the horses are in their places. North Adams doesn't need it. Our drivers have no trouble in being ahead of the horses.

When Senator Proctor turned toward the finer kinds of limestone and politics the world lost a first rate newspaper reporter. There is no sort of doubt about that. His famous speech in the senate was, first of all and chiefly, a thoroughly excellent piece of newspaper reporting. That is what he meant to make it, and he was extraordinarily successful.—Rutland Vt., Herald.

The proposition to preserve the noble Greylock mountain as a state park meets with deserved and gratifying support throughout the state. This is more than a local matter, and the people at large are more disposed to favor the appropriation of $25,000 by the state because the people of the region near the mountain have been ready to contribute their own money to save it.—Springfield Republican.

THE SWIFT RIDERS.

Eddie Bald will race against horses in California.

During 1897 Constant Huret claims he made $9,600 riding a bicycle.

Cabanne and Fred Titus have begun training at the Coliseum at St. Louis.

Bourillon and Morin each earned $12,000 with their bicycles last season.

The American says that nothing has been said yet to prove that century riding is not a sheer waste of vital force and machinery.

Jay Eaton seems anxious for a return match with Nat Butler, but the chances for the pulling off of a match race between them are very slim.

Earl Kiser, the little whirlwind, and Augustus Mertens, the two crack racing men who hold national L. A. W. championships, will ride for their old manager, Tom Eck, during the coming season.

Champion Eddie Bald has come out with a statement that the L. A. W. is not treating the professionals right. Taxation without representation, along with the league's control of racing, is a little more than the racing men will stand. He has been asked to accept the presidency of the American League of Racing Cyclists, which is to be reorganized.

The Cyclist of England says Tom Linton is a rider who has not trained systematically or with the best judgment. After riding 31 miles 5 yards in an hour on a London track Tom crossed the channel and next day rode 50 miles against Lesna in the afternoon and in the evening of the same day met and defeated Bouhours in a distance race. He should prove a most dangerous opponent to any middle distance rider.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

Without a brake the bicycle cannot be kept under complete control at all times unless the rider is willing to walk down hills.

Always make it a rule to carry a piece of copper or brass wire and some stout string in your pocket or tool bag. It will very often come in handy.

All of the leg muscles are used in cycling. The supposition that only those of the thigh find active employment is erroneous. If anything like correct pedaling is used, the muscles in the calf of the leg perform a good share of the work.

Installment selling will this year be conducted on a more certain basis from the dealers' standpoint. The money that has been lost through the installment plan during the past three years would undoubtedly build a cycle factory fit to employ 1,000 men and equip it with first class machinery.—American Cyclist.

A Chicago Initiation.

In San Francisco all newcomers are initiated and made members of the guest club by being taken over the "roof." In Chicago the unwary citizen is invited to the Heine Kububling, which is a wineroom, to which place all new men are taken to be initiated to the Windy City. Al Reeves, on his way to St. Louis from New York, stopped off at Chicago, and Mr. Root, the bandicapper of that district, of course had to show Reeves the sights. Reeves was taken to the Heine Kububling. While there he was called up on the phone, and in attempting to answer it received his face full of soot. Reeves then attempted to go up stairs to the washroom, and when nearly at the head of the stairs they in some mysterious way flattened out, and Mr. Reeves slid down as in a moss covered water shoot. Reeves had enough of the Windy City and got out of town as quickly as possible.—Cycling Gazette.

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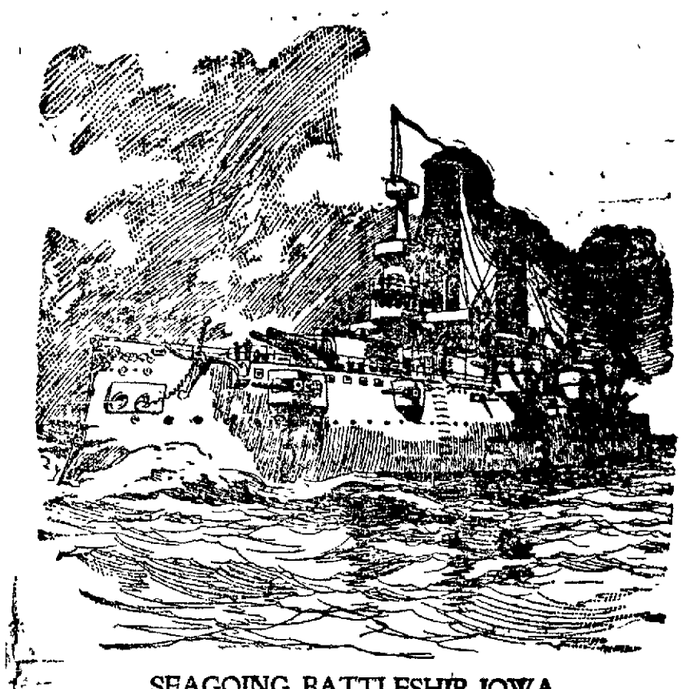
It is rarely good economy to attempt to keep geese unless they can be supplied with good pasturage and plenty of water.

Do not attempt too many breeds at one time unless well prepared to keep each breed separate. Crossing promiscuously does not pay.

The poultry raiser, like the stock breeder, should breed from the finest specimens—those that will give the most profit for the outlay.—St. Louis Republic.

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All the Available Men Are Ready For Immediate Action—Only a Small Army Required For Cuba—Story of a Maine Survivor.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—[Special.]—"In the event of war between Spain and the United States," said an official of the war department, "it will not be necessary for this government to send a large number of troops into Cuba. In my opinion, we should need only 5,000 men, or just enough to preserve order after our navy had taken possession of the chief seaport towns. It must be remembered that Cuba is now largely dependent upon the United States for the food upon which her people live. They import American beef and other supplies at Havana, as very little comes in from the country districts. Let our fleets once blockade the port of Havana, preventing the further importations of supplies, and we should have the island in our possession quickly enough. There would be more or less disorder in the town, and it might be necessary to land a few thousand troops to repress violence. But 5,000, coupled with the guns of our warships, would do the business.

"It has been said that if we are compelled to take forcible possession of Cuba in the summer or hot season the mortality would be frightful among our troops. But I do not think this is so. Do not forget that our American soldiers are better disciplined men than the raw recruits of young boys which Spain has been pouring into Cuba. It would not be necessary for us to send to the island any but troops of our regular army, men who know how to take care of themselves, who know what camp hygiene and sanitation are, who have sense enough not to gorge themselves with green fruit in a strange country to which they were unacclimated. Besides, we have a splendid hospital and medical corps. Some losses from yellow fever and other fever there surely would be, but I do not believe they would be as heavy as the losses of the Spanish troops have been during the last three years. The climate of Cuba is not unhealthful. It is only in the large cities like Havana and Santiago and Cienfuegos that epidemics rage. And what wonder that they rage there? The sanitary arrangements are about as bad as they can be. Back in the country, especially in the hills, the climate is salubrious and healthful.

Quick Action.

"I don't suppose it is generally known, but the war department has made arrangements by which all our available troops of the regular army whose stations are on railway lines can be put upon the cars within six hours after the order is given. This means that from the Atlantic to the Pacific, wherever there is an army post upon a railway, the organization has been perfected so that within six hours trains would start from all points, carrying men, horses, camp equipage, artillery, ammunition wagons, hospital and medical corps—everything belonging to the service.

"I understand," concluded this official, "that the same organization exists in the militia of the various states. Under instructions from the department they have perfected arrangements for loading everything upon the cars within a very few hours. If the order to move comes, there will be a magnificent spectacle. It will be that of a hundred railway trains starting all about the same time and rolling as fast as steam will carry them toward the seaboard. A few hours later a hundred more trains will start on the same journey. And if it should be necessary we can keep up this hundred trains a day movement for a month. At the outset, however, and through all the war, in my opinion, none but trained troops would be used. I do not believe we should ever need more than 40,000 men in the field for occupation of Cuba, coast defense, etc. Fifteen thousand of these would be drawn from our regular army posts and the remainder from the state militia troops."

Another military expert said to me that he could not see why so many people were afraid of a war with Spain. "Why," said he, "they talk as if it were going to be almost as terrible a thing as the war between the states. The truth is that if one did not read the newspapers in no part of the United States would the average citizen discover that there was such a thing as war in progress. There would be scares in the seaport cities about the sudden descent of a Spanish fleet upon the place, of course, but that would be about as near the actuality of war as our people would get. It would be a short and easy war. We should suffer some upon the sea, but in less than 60 days, I venture to say, Spain would sue for peace."

He Wanted His Mother.

One day last week a colored man who was aboard the battleship Maine when she was destroyed in Havana harbor arrived in Washington. He also had friends here, and he started out to find them. But, not knowing just where they lived, he ran against people who pretended to be his friends, but who were enemies in disguise. They took him in, robbed him of his pocketbook and then kicked him out. Finally the poor fellow found his real friends, and when they asked this hero—for the reports say he behaved with bravery at the critical moment—how he felt when the explosion came, he replied:

"I never wanted my mother so much in my life."

Next day he went to the navy department, where he was received with kindness. In the corridor of that big department an odd scene was witnessed. A white haired man heard that the colored boy had been aboard the Maine when she blew up, and he went up to the sailor man and threw his arms about him. That very afternoon others came forward, a purse was made up to reimburse Jack Tar for his money loss, and employment was found for him. The wave of sympathy for the poor fellows of the Maine which swept through the country was not all superficial.

Speaking of this colored man reminds me of an odd style which prevails among the young colored women of Washington, many of whom are both pretty and fashionable. They cannot bleach their hair as some of their white sisters do, and they do not want to crimp or curl it. The rage among them is to use an instrument sold here in great numbers for the purpose of straightening the hair out from its natural woolly kinkiness. The straighter a colored young woman can get her hair the happier she is.

WALTER WELLMAN.

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If a man becomes suddenly great or famous, his wife is never too old and wrinkled to have her picture taken in a low necked dress.

When people listen attentively to a story of a man's wrongs, it indicates that they are wondering what the other side of the story sounds like.—Atchison Globe.

KLONDIKE PICKINGS.

Klondike citizens obey to the letter the injunction to keep cool.—Chicago Record.

Wages on Chilkoot pass are very high now. So is the pass.—Baltimore American.

There is no falling off in the popularity of the trip to the Klondike.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

The Klondike continues to take a great deal of work off the fool killer's hands.—Chicago Chronicle.

Those reindeer will get to Klondike in time to eat up what surplus is left over from the winter's provender.—Detroit Journal.

When that railroad to the Klondike is completed, the mosquitoes thinned out and flour and sugar are reduced to $1 per pound, people may want to go.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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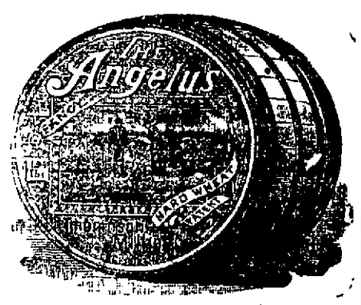
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☞ Every Saturday and Sunday afternoon cars on the three lines run twenty and twenty-five minutes apart, all making connections on Main street.

WM. T. NARY, Supt.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—A meeting will be held by the Association Pilgrims at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening at 7.30 o'clock.

—Two freight trains on the Fitchburg road collided near Troy Sunday afternoon, blocking a part of the road for several hours.

—Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown is to give his lecture on "Good Humor" at Granville, N. Y., tonight and at Valatie, N. Y., Friday night.

—The Rensselaer, N. Y., county grand jury has returned nine indictments against James McKinley, formerly of this city, for violations of the liquor tax law in North Petersburgh.

—Abbondro Salice of State street, died Monday and the funeral was held at the French church this morning. He was 42 years old and leaves a wife and five children in Italy.

—Nothing has been heard of Earl Sheldon, the boy who disappeared from his home in Burlington, Vt., two weeks ago. It is thought he was kidnapped and drowned in the lake, because his parents are not rich and could not pay a large ransom.

—The number of tramps who have applied at the police station for shelter has increased considerably of late. The tramps were enticed out onto the road earlier than usual by the warm weather, and were driven to cover by the cold nights.

—Oneco lodge of Odd Fellows will hold a social and dance Thursday evening, March 31. The Ideal orchestra will furnish music and there will be dancing from 8.30 till 1 o'clock. The dancing will be in Odd Fellows' hall and the lodge room will be open and games provided for those who do not dance.

—Permits have been granted to James W. McDonald to build an addition to his house on West Main street, to W. A. Elliott to move a blacksmith shop on Ashland street, to E. R. Porter to make alterations in a house on Dover street and to the Canedy-Clark Shoe company to move a house on Ashland street.

—Plans are already being made to complete the roads up Greylock mountain from the Pittsfield side as early this spring as possible. The road up the mountain from Lanesboro has been built mostly by donations from Pittsfield men and as there is only about a mile to build the people there are anxious to have it completed, so that it can be used as soon as the ground becomes settled.

—The following from the Pittsfield Eagle contains some that is true and some that isn't: The North Adams public are in a quandary as whether to support a white or a black baseball team the coming season. Manager Dooley, who made a big fizzle of baseball there last season, claims he will put a strong team in the field while Manager Lamar has secured grounds for the Cuban X-Giants. An effort is being made to crowd the latter out but if there is no other place on earth for them it is hoped this city will not be given the go-by. The Cuban X-Giants play good enough ball for Pittsfield, the color of the players having no effect on the size of the crowd.

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—One drunk was fined $5 in the district court this morning.

—Mountain lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold a ladies' night in Odd Fellows' lodge room Wednesday evening, March 30.

—Local weather prophets are now saying that the last of March will be the stormiest time of the present season. Bicyclists have locked their wheels for another period of winter.

—Oneco lodge, I. O. O. F., and the Daughters of Rebekah will entertain a delegation of Odd Fellows and Daughters of Rebekah from Readsboro, Vt., tonight Between 25 and 30 guests are expected and a very pleasant social time will be had.

Wells Darby of Bracewell avenue has been ill for a week at the home of his father, George M. Darby, on Quincy street. He was taken ill suddenly while there and could not be moved to his home. He is now better.

—Thomas Fitzgerald, bartender for James McKinley, was arrested at North Petersburgh Monday for violating the excise law. He was brought to the Troy jail and locked up. McKinley, who was arrested some time ago, is out on bail. Both were from this city.

—Two prizes have been offered to public school pupils by the D. A. R. for the best essay reporting the lecture by Prof. John Fiske to be given Friday evening. One is to pupils of the high school and one to pupils of the grammar schools, and they will be admitted at half price.

—The third lecture of the series on world religion by Rev. W. L. Tenney will be given this evening upon the subject of Buddhism, a protest against Brahminism. The peculiarly interesting doctrine of the transmigration of souls will be explained. The lectures show in a very clear and interesting way the value of the world religions in the progress of civilization.

—The cut-price furniture sale in progress at Burdett & Co.'s is attracting considerable attention from housewives just now. The reductions are genuine and have their reason in the fact that the bad weather during January and February interfered with trade, leaving a large stock of goods which must be cleared away for the spring assortments.

—The Caledonian club will render the following program on Friday evening at its entertainment: Selections of airs, Mrs. Meiklejohn and Mr. Morrison; solo, Mr. Morrison; song, Miss Robertson; comic selection, John Merrit; quartet; reading, Miss Jarvie; solo, Mr. Jones; instrumental selection, Merrit and Densey; song, Miss Robertson; quartet; Auld Land Syne; John Merrit will give dancing exhibitions during the evening.

—The W. I. E. whist club was entertained at a recent meeting by Mrs. E. F. Gibbs at her home in Arnold place. Besides members of the club there was a visitors' table. Refreshments were served and when the winners of prizes were announced Mrs. W. J. Carroll was the recipient of first, a handsome glass vase, and the hostess, Mrs. Gibbs, was content with the booby, a toothpick holder. At the visitors' table Mrs. E. Miner was the winner of the handsome jardinier.

—A call for a special meeting of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, to be held at the Parker House, Boston, Wednesday, has been issued. The North Adams Manufacturing company is a member of the association, but will probably not be represented at the meeting.

—The concert in the Universalist church tomorrow evening under the direction of George A. Mietzke, formerly of this city, will afford the local public an opportunity to hear two remarkable musicians. Hans Kronold, the 'cellist, has been praised highly by the musical critics throughout the large cities, and the boy soprano, Harold Elgas, has a voice of wonderful sweetness. The program will include a choice selection of the best music.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Mary Condon of Pittsfield is visiting friends in this city for two weeks.

George Taylor spent Sunday with friends in Rutland, Vt.

Prof. John Fiske, who lectures here Friday evening, is visiting Prof. W. P. Mason of Troy this week.

Dr. J. J. F. McLaughlin spent Sunday in Huntington with his brother, Rev. Fr. McLaughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Mietzke of Rockville, Conn., arrived in the city this morning.

Mrs. William White of Pleasant street is in Bridgeport, Conn., to which city she was called by the death of a relative.

Miss Louisa S. Hawkes and Mrs. Ellen M. Harrison visited friends in Williamstown Monday.

HEARING OF FLETCHER

On Charge of Assaulting Little Girls Sunday.

The case of Frank A. Fletcher, accused of assaulting with intent to rape two little girls Sunday afternoon occupied the district court a large part of the day. Lawyers Couch and Niles were engaged to defend him, and conducted a case in which every point was questioned closely.

The officers who were present at the arrest gave the principal testimony, which was damaging to Fletcher's case. This afternoon one of the girls was put on the stand and gave testimony against the man.

At 3 o'clock most of the testimony was finished, and the arguments were being heard. It is probable that Fletcher will be held for the superior court.

Don't forget Sutty's fresh roasted peanuts.

$20,000 REPORTED.

Legislative Committee on Normal School Reports Favorably Today.

LAND TO SOUTH PROHIBITED

Committee is Unanimous on the Matter. Result of the Recent Trip to This City. What City Will Do.

A special dispatch to THE TRANSCRIPT from Boston says that the committee on education has reported this afternoon an appropriation of $20,000 for buying and grading Normal school land.

The appropriation was reported unanimously by the committee. The only restriction was that no land to the south of the school shall be purchased.

This restriction will effectually answer the syndicate which was holding land to the south at prices which were considered exorbitant.

The report was a complete surprise, as it was thought that the committee intended to report an appropriation of only about $10,000 or $15,000. The committee visited this city a short time ago and admitted that more land was needed at the school, but seemed to be impressed with high prices, so that a favorable report was doubted.

The report will come up for action soon and while it is very possible that the amount will be cut down, more than was at first expected will undoubtedly be passed.

The special committee of the city council will govern its action on the matter of granting $10,000 from the city by what the legislature does. A member of the committee said this morning that the city will not act till the legislature has decided.

WILL VISIT THIS CITY.

Legislative Committee on Greylock Matter To Come Next Week.

The committee of the legislature before which the Greylock hearing was held, did not report today as was expected. Instead they will wait until they can visit this city.

The report was therefore postponed till after the visit. It is probable that the committee will be here early next week.

The action of the committee was unexpected, as it was thought a favorable report would be made at once.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

The Penitent.

She is so pretty as she goes
To penitential prayer
I can but wonder if she knows
That she is very fair.

Are all her thoughts upon her book,
Her sins and sacrifice,
Or does she think how she may look
And if her gown looks nice?

Is she in really solemn mood?
Does she the world despise—
Her soul austere in solitude—
Or has she twinkling eyes?

At last she lifts her gaze to mine.
For shame I cannot speak.
I see a pearly teardrop shine
And fall upon her cheek.

How could I doubt one moment where
Her Lenten thoughts were "at?"
"To think," she says, "I've got to wear
My last year's Easter hat!"

—Town Topics.

Taking No Unnecessary Risks.

Scene, pit of theater.

First Theater Goer (leaning forward and whispering to the theater goer in front of him)—Beg your pardon, but won't you ask your wife to remove her hat? I can't see the stage.

Second Theater Goer (whispering back)—Ask her yourself, please. You don't know her as well as I do.—Chicago Tribune.

Too Costly For Regular Smoking.

"What did you think of that cigar I gave you yesterday?"

"Not much. It cost me 5¢."

"How so?"

"Why, it gave my wife the idea that the gas was leaking somewhere, and she sent for a plumber."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CURTAIN RAISERS.

"Under Sealed Orders," J. W. Harkins, Jr.'s, new play, with its sensational effects will be seen in New York city next month.

"The Victoria Cross," which has been touring the English provinces for four years, will be seen in New York late in the spring.

Three different parties claim to hold the concession for an American theater at the Paris exposition of 1900. In reality none has been granted.

"A Brace of Partridges," a three act farcical comedy, by Robert Ganthony, was played for the first time in London recently at the Strand theater.

Helen Bertram has signed a contract with Frank L. Perley to sing the prima donna roles with the Bostonians next season in the place of Miss Alice Nielson.

Richard Mansfield has completed the purchase of the American rights for "Cyrano de Bergerac." He intends to produce the piece in New York next autumn.

Walter Jones has purchased a new comic opera for his starring tour next year, of which he speaks very highly. The opera was written over eight years ago by Clay Green.

George Hibbard has written a historical play which either Edward H. Sothern or James K. Hackett may use. It is based on episodes in the life of the Duke of Marlborough.

T. Henry French has secured the American rights to "Les P'tites Michus," an operetta which has been running for some months in Paris. It is by Albert Vanloo and George Duval, with music by Andre Messager.

POULTRY POINTERS.

Too much cornmeal is not healthy food for young chickens.

So far as can be done at this time, sit two or three hens at a time now.

Always arrange so that the sitting hens will not be molested by the others.

Milk may be kept in pans and kept where the fowls can help themselves.

The way to have strong ducklings is to have strong parents and to carefully avoid inbreeding.

As a hen pays in proportion to the number of eggs she produces, it is well to look after the feeding.

Some hens are gentle and quiet and are therefore excellent sitters. They will hatch more eggs.

Only rounded spoonfuls are required, of

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not heaping ones.

LODGING HOUSE FIRE.

Twenty of the Occupants Are Unaccounted For.

Firemen Rendered Valuable Aid With Ladders.

Two Men Killed by Leaping From the Third Story of the Building.

Butte, Mont., March 22.—A lodging and boarding house for miners in the employ of the Anaconda company was entirely destroyed by a fire early Monday morning. So far as known two men are dead from injuries received in jumping from windows; another is dying, and 20 are missing, while a search of the ruins may disclose the fact that transient lodgers also lost their lives. The casualties follow:

Dead—Matthew Doyle and Frank Rohdey, late from Portland, Ore., jumped from a third-story window.

Dying—Hugh Boyle, miner at the Anaconda mine, started to lower himself from the third-story window by means of an improvised rope, which parted 50 feet from the ground.

Injured—Pat Galligan went down with the third floor when it collapsed, and was rescued by firemen badly burned; John T. Carter, badly burned and cut by glass; J. J. Conroy, burned on the hands and fractured bones; Barney Reynolds fractured his right leg by dropping 20 feet; Michael Judge, right arm broken; John Irwin, bruised about the neck and face, and cut by glass.

There were 250 men and women in the building when the fire broke out. Of these it is believed about 200 escaped without injury. The fire started in the bakery house in the center of the building and had a good start before it was discovered. The blaze was first seen by three men, who summoned the watchman and rushed to the upper portion of the building, shouting that the house was on fire. By this time the fire had broken through the first floor and smoke filled the hallways. John Dooley and his companions began kicking in the doors of the rooms. The men awakened the women first.

In the meantime an alarm had been turned in and the department responded promptly. When the firemen arrived men in their underclothing and others half dressed were clambering down the fire escapes in the rear. The servant girls and others were at windows on the front of the building frantically calling for help. They were cut off from the rear of the building by the dense smoke. The ladders were run up, but not before many of the frightened people had jumped. All the female help were gotten out by the firemen. On the side of the building many had made ropes of their bedclothing and sought to escape in that way. Some of them succeeded, but in other cases the ropes broke and the men dropped many feet to the ground. As fast as the inmates were rescued or jumped, those injured were placed in vehicles and carried to the hospitals. Those injured slightly or uninjured betook themselves to the houses of neighbors and friends in order to secure clothing. No one saved anything but what he had on at the time of the fire. The night was bitterly cold, the thermometer registering five below zero.

Politics Cut a Figure.

Norristown, Pa., March 22.—The trial of James A. Clemmer, charged with the murder of Emma Kaiser, came to a sudden stop before any of the jury had been selected. This turn of affairs was the result of a petition by the defense that the panel of jurors be quashed on the charge that Jury Commissioners Troy and McDowell had irregularly drawn the panel. It was alleged that the commissioners had drawn the entire panel for personal and political reasons.

Troy admitted sending out a circular letter to the Democratic county committee asking for the names of men who could act as jurors. He said that as he was elected on the Democratic ticket he thought he had to get Democrats for the jury. It appeared that the commissioners had followed the precedents established by those whom they succeeded in office.

Big Fire In Chicago.

Chicago, March 22.—Fire destroyed the seven-story structure known as the Schooneman building. It is not believed any lives were lost. The burned structure was located between two of the tallest so-called "sky-scrapers" in Chicago, the Old Colony and the Manhattan. Both are fireproof, and neither was damaged, but there was much excitement among the occupants. About a dozen firms, including bookbinderies and similar concerns, were burned out. The loss is about $225,000.

Expecting an Attack.

Atbara Camp, Nubia, March 22.—The Anglo-Egyptian force is hourly expecting an attack. During a false alarm Sunday evening a shot was fired from an unknown quarter, and the whole British brigade stood with arms at fixed bayonets. In the pitch dark, a highlander, rushing to place, was impaled on a comrade's bayonet. The army marched six miles to Rashudi Monday, and is now awaiting the report of the patrols, who are feeling for the dervish army.

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Held Town Meetings.

Worcester, Mass., March 22.—Six Worcester county towns held their annual meetings yesterday. The town of Sterling for the first time in many years voted for license. Douglas and Millbury reversed their vote of a year ago, and are in the license columns. Sutton's reverse places her in the license column Holden voted against the adoption of a water system again, and but one more year remains whereby she can do so without legislative extension.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

ALMANAC, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

Sun rises—5:42; sets, 6.

Moon sets—7:49 a. m.

High tide—2 noon; 12:15 night.

The indications for New England are rain, probably changing to snow, followed by clearing, colder weather by Wednesday noon or night, fair, colder Thursday. The winds will shift to westerly and northerly.

A Yachting Cup.

"It is announced that the cup given this year by the German emperor for the race from Dover to Helgoland," says the London Field, "will be a bowl of egg shape form and stand over two feet above its base. The design was made by his imperial majesty and has been much admired by the connoisseurs of Berlin." The match has been fixed for June 20, the entries to close June 1 at Cowes.

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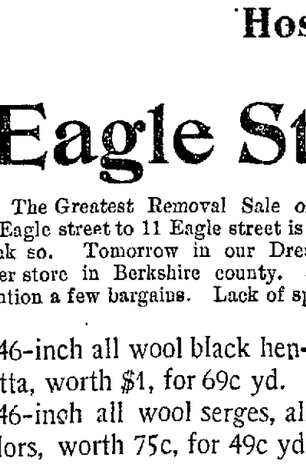
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46-inch all wool black henrietta, worth $1, for 69c yd.

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Cotton flannel 3 1-2c yd.

Ladies' and children's fast black hose going at 5c pr.

Best ginghams, 4 1-2c yd.

Outing flannel wrappers, worth $1.25, for 75c.

White aprons 9c.

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Local News!

WOODFORD.

F. A. Gleason has returned to Greater New York.

William Papers has moved from Bennington into the George Townsend house.

Ezra Crawford has been doing work for a few days in the office of S. M. Bowles.

George W. Knapp was quite badly hurt while working in the woods.

Herbert Mallory of Bennington has been breaking colts for George W. Knapp.

Mrs. Edward Estes is quite ill with a throat difficulty.

Some people wonder why married people will laugh at things in the theatre that will make the girls look mad.

Mrs. Charles Harbour of Bennington has visited her sister, Mrs. Jesse Bugbee.

Last week the sap spurted from the sugar maples copiously. This week the scene is changed. One flock of wild geese doesn't make a spring—'tis more of a fly.

The warm weather and rain last week made mud in the hollow while there is plenty of snow at the city yet.

The North Adams TRANSCRIPT has the largest circulation in Woodford of any paper published outside of the state.

It's wonderful what a lot of things you may learn about yourself if you'll read the papers. For instance a Woodford man didn't know that the buttons were off the back of his best coat until he read something in a paper that gave him a suggestion in that direction.

A large deer was seen on the ice on Lake Greenwood the other day. There was too much snow for the beauty to skate. The same day John Belrose rescued a deer in the woods which was being pursued by dogs, by catching it with his hands. As evidence of what he had done John pulled some hair from the animal and brought it home with him.

James Cutler is owner of the first brood of chickens of the vintage of '98.

The fellows who run for office on slight provocation are also apt to run for the Klondike without knowing much of the facts.

Exhor Marcie has concluded not to move to Cheshire, Mass., as stated in last week's TRANSCRIPT.

The earth goes round but it would not divided up among the parties who want

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FLORIDA.

S. A. Phillips has been visiting friends and relatives in Shelburne and vicinity.

C. W. Read has taken the agency for Swift's Lowell high grade fertilizers, and will sell them from his residence or from the Tunnel.

F. E. Stafford was in Charlemont last Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. Della Fowler, who is ill.

C. H. Read and wife expect to go to Washington next week, taking advantage of the excursion to that place.

Rev. F. E. Coburn will be away next Sunday, consequently there will be no services at the church on Sunday.

Sugar makers have been busy some of late, and those who were ready for the rain of last week were paid for their trouble.

Snow is settling fast and already wagons are seen on the road, although it is very poor wheeling.

Everett Stafford was in Whitingham a few days last week visiting among relatives and friends.

Lowell Spalding had what might be rightly called a hair breadth escape last week. Mr. Spalding is in the employ of G. H. Mann in the steam sawmill and while underneath the works tightening some screws which had loosened, the saw took his nad from his head, and fortunately no further damage was done. Had Mr. Spalding not been cool at the right moment a more serious result would have probably followed.

NEW ASHFORD.

H. Beach, after being twelve years away from town, has returned to his old home here to live with his daughter, Mrs. E. J. Baxter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Ingraham have begun housekeeping in Williamstown, where Mr. Ingraham will go into the market garden business.

M. Miller has rented E. Ingraham's Beach hill house and some land.

Mrs. E. P. Beach still remains in very poor health.

School closed last week. Mr. Woodruff, the teacher, goes to North Adams to accept a position in a store.

A pleasant party was given at the home of E. Ingraham by Mr. Woodruff for his school and a few invited friends. Games were the feature of the evening with candy, popcorn, apples and cake as refreshments.

The Population of North Adams is about 20,000, and we would say at least one-half are troubled with some affection of the Throat and Lungs, as those complaints are, according to statistics, more numerous than others. We would advise all not to neglect the opportunity to call on their druggist and get a bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs. Price 25 and 50c. Trial size free. Sold by all druggists.



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ON TO HIS CURVES.

A Country Umpire Claimed "Old Hoss" Radbourne Used a Trick Ball.

Every ball crank knows what a pitcher's curves are, but when the wrinkle was first discovered there were many skeptics. Rusie is acknowledged to be the possessor of the wildest and sharpest curves in the profession; but, according to veterans, "Old Hoss" Radbourne, a member of the Providence team in 1894, was the greatest pitcher in America. One day in 1879 Radbourne, who was twirling for the Dubuque team under Ted Sullivan's management, went to Lacrosse to pitch a game. The crowd on the grounds was chiefly composed of farmers and persons who were not up to date in curve pitching, although the art had been in vogue for ten years. The umpire was a typical countryman and was inclined to favor his own team. Radbourne was in fine fettle and his curves were marvelous. He worked the corners of the plate to perfection, but the umpire would not call a strike unless the ball went straight over. Finally Radbourne made a protest. In a second the umpire was on his dignity.

"See here, yer lantern jawed feller," he bawled, "yer needn't look for any bother with me. I'm a-goin ter give yer snap away! Yer a pitchin with a trick ball! The ball ain't official! Every time it leaves yer hand it ducks in and out so that our boys can't hit it! If yer can't pitch the ball straight or get a new one that ain't a trick ball, I'll give the game ter our team, b'gosh!"

Radbourne tried to explain that the curves were legitimate, but the umpire would not listen to him. So he was compelled to shoot up speed, which the home players killed. — Philadelphia Press.

THE ROYAL BOX.

The Prince of Wales is a very short sleeper. Even when very late to bed—and he rarely retires before 2 a. m.—he is always down by 8 o'clock.

The Princess of Monaco is beloved by all dwellers in her little kingdom, and it is said that there is not a single very poor person within its boundary since she ascended the throne.

The Duchess of York is to be counted among those who understand how to read the lines and "mounts" of the hand. She is said to be quite skillful in the delineation of character by the occult science of palmistry.

The favorite sport of the mikado is horse racing, but he allows no betting, and the price of admission to the races is placed so high that only the upper classes can attend. The mikado's stables accommodate about 3,000 animals.

The Duke of York would not inherit the title of Prince of Wales in the event of the present prince dying before his mother, the queen. Only an eldest son is entitled to be a Prince of Wales, and he is made so by royal patent. Should Queen Victoria survive her son, the title would most probably fall into abeyance.

GENERAL LEE.

Probably the wisest act of President McKinley has been to keep him where he was so wisely placed.—Chicago Chronicle.

General Lee is the right man in the right place. He should be left in Havana until an actual declaration of war compels him to take his departure.—Cleveland Leader.

General Lee has represented the United States in stalwart American fashion at the Cuban capital, and he will not be recalled until his work is concluded or an open break comes with Spain.—Ohio State Journal.

General Lee has done the country loyal and excellent service, showing a high measure of courage and discretion and having every capacity for the effective discharge of his difficult and very responsible duties.—Philadelphia North American.

The presence of a man of General Lee's calm courage at Havana at this time is as advantageous to Spain as it is to the United States. A man of less nerve and judgment might have become panic stricken at the time of the disaster to the Maine and have sent dispatches to Washington that would have precipitated action by this government.—Baltimore Sun.

RAILWAY TIES.

Two thousand two hundred trains leave London ordinarily every 24 hours.

The Lake Shore and New York Central roads are going to be consolidated.

Spanish trains so seldom leave stations on time that the time tables in many cases merely indicate the hour of departure—say, 8 and "minutes"—that is, an indefinite number of minutes after 8.

Switzerland by a popular vote of over two to one has decided to make its railroads state railroads. The measure, after being adopted by the legislative council, was referred to the people for acceptance.

Railroad traffic in Germany has increased to such an extent that the government finds it necessary to four track the main lines in Westphalia and the Rhine province, with the prospect of extending the improvement soon as far as Berlin.

IN A CHINA SHOP.

A Dresden shepherdess was one day
Milking a small Delft cow
When a Sevres marquis came along—
I saw him smile and bow.
O lovely shepherdess, hear my song!"
I think I heard him say.
"For thou hast captured my porcelain heart,
And by my sword I swear thou art
A star in the milky way."
—George S. Hellman in Morningside.

HIS REVENGE.

Sergeant Dick Doubleday was, I think, about the most reserved and reticent man I ever met with, either in or out of the service. He was a fine fellow—vigorous, tall and well developed in figure; black haired, with eyes full of fire; dark, well defined eyebrows, and features sharp and grave—a man with a past, you would say after a slight scrutiny, and a past undoubtedly of the saddest was there in the life of poor Sergeant Dick Doubleday.

A splendid soldier, attentive and obedient to his superiors and kind and generous with those beneath him, yet withal so stern and reserved was he that many almost shunned him, while others held him in awe and dread, the few sobriquets were given sufficiently indicating the character the man bore among his comrades, who were wont to call him Dead and Alive Doubleday, Moody Doubleday, Dumb Doubleday, and a dozen other such appellations.

It was toward the close of a beautiful day that, after a long march along dusty roads, portions of jungle and through a swollen stream, we had come to a halt, making preparations to bivouac in a large open glade with a little sparkling rivulet running along one side of it, a thick jungle on the other and a precipitous range of mountainous hills at the back.

Having left Poonah early that morning, after our long and toilsome march it was with exquisite relief that we gathered round the bivouac fires.

Sitting on a small mound a little apart from my comrades I was busily engaged loading my pipe for a whiff when I was startled and surprised at the sudden appearance of Dick Doubleday, who, very pale and his large black eyes gleaming with lurid fire, exclaimed as he placed his hand on my shoulder: "Corporal Evans, do you mind leaving the camp along with me? I want some one as a chum, and you are the only one of the battalion that I care about—that is to say, as a friend."

Starting to my feet, I of course expressed my pleasure and willingness to join him, though I was as much surprised as I should have been had our Scotch colonel asked me to dance a highland reel with him, my astonishment increasing as he, in a low, hoarse voice, told me to bring my rifle with me!

"You may have to stain your bayonet before we come back, Ned." These words and the deadly pallor upon the usually swart features of the stolid sergeant completely astounded me.

"What on earth's in the wind?" I thought, as, catching up my rifle and carrying it carelessly under my arm, I followed Doubleday, who had now begun to climb the precipitous side of the rocky eminence at the back of the camp.

No words were spoken until we gained the summit of the steep, and then, sitting down upon a bowlder of rock that was covered and surrounded with tall Indian grass, the sergeant, pointing to the fires in the bivouac below, exclaimed sententiously, "We are safe here, Ned Evans, from prying eyes or eager ears!"

"You may bet any sum on that, sergeant. There'll be no ramblers from camp tonight. They are all too tired after the day's march."

"You did not allow that to deprive me of your company when I solicited it just now."

"Only too glad to join you, Doubleday."

"I am sure of that. You are different from all the rest. That is why I am going to relate a dark page in the history of my life. Dead and Alive Doubleday they call me. What would they have been had they beheld the sight I did in this accursed country ten years ago?"

I caught my breath nervously and fairly quivered with pain and excitement. I was about to hear the secret. The poor sergeant had selected me as the one in whom to confide a relation of his past. He was going to reveal some dread incident in his career hitherto buried with deepest reticence in his bosom. Then, as I gazed at the stern, set face, the compressed lips, the knitted brow, and recalled the words uttered shortly before, "You may have to stain your bayonet before we come back!" I asked myself what on earth was the mystery. The sergeant knew I was bold and daring to recklessness, and also that I felt a closer friendship for him than any one in the regiment. Evidently there was some dangerous project in view, and I felt proud and exultant, I admit, that I, of all our fellows, should have been chosen to join in his enterprise and be trusted with the relation of his past. Ruminating thus as I gazed at the bright moon and then down below at the ruddy, flickering watch fires, I was aroused by my companion from my temporary reverie, as, in a low, hoarse voice, he began his dread tale.

"It is six years since I first saw you, when you came out with that draft from England and joined us at Bombay, and it was ten years this very month, Ned Evans, since I beheld my young bride of a few hours only, and a young and loved sister vilely maltreated, dishonored and done to death before my eyes."

A stifled sob here choked the unhappy sergeant's utterance, who, as I was about to condole with him, placed his hand upon my arm and resumed: "We were lying at Bangalore. My sister, who had been ailing slightly, was well and happy on my wedding day. My young bride was an orphan, the daughter of Indian parents, but with no relatives living to say her nay gave me her hand in preference to accepting as a husband a native who long had pressed his suit upon her. This demon, as I was strolling with my loved sister and my young wife a mile or more from Bangalore on the night of my marriage, set upon us, and, aided by a dozen of the tribe, succeeded in overpowering and binding me to a tree. Then, while one of his allies seized in his arms my shrieking sister, Zadah Timour, my accursed rival, with a shout of fiendish glee, secured my loved Nourmahal in his detested embrace. What followed I dare not tell. Several times in wild and mad horror I closed my eyes on the devilish scene, but even this mercy was denied me, knives being thrust deep into my flesh until I again in frenzy and mad rage gazed upon the sufferings of those two poor girls, all I loved on earth. After the lapse of a terrible hour, to me years of agony, the Indian devils, piling dry brushwood round the tree to which they had bound me, were about to fire this improvised funeral pyre when loud shouts in the distance caused the miscreants to take to flight, but not before they had hacked to death the poor girls they had so hideously and barbarously misused.

"When my comrades, who, alarmed at our absence, had left the barracks in search of us, arrived, they found me in a raving delirium. Fhbverd 'twixt life and death for many weeks, but recovered, registering a vow to heaven that I would have a fearful revenge upon the wretch Zadah Timour. For ten long years I have waited, and now the time has come!"

"The incarnate devil then lives, and you this night purpose to consummate your vengeance upon him!" I exclaimed excitedly. I now understood all and guessed why poor Doubleday had asked me to join him. He had feared that alone perhaps his prey might escape him.

"Within the hour I shall avenge the wrongs of my sister and my bride."

There was a sharp, hissing sound in the voice of the sergeant, whose eyes now gleamed like tongues of flame.

"Where is he to be found, Doubleday?"

I here began to see if the charge of my rifle was all right, and, with a meaning smile upon my companion, fixed on my bayonet.

"Zadah Timour and his friend and half brother, Akbar Khan, the destroyer of my sister Adele, are now, with some half dozen Afghans, camped in the hut by the Well of the Serpents."

"I know the place. A better spot we could not have. But you are sure of this?"

"As that the sun they will never see will rise tomorrow."

"You heard of their close vicinity when?"

"Two days back. I have had a native spy I can rely upon watching every movement of the demon brothers the past week, and when we bivouacked at the foot of the hills my spy paid a visit to my tent and told me the time had come."

"All right, sergeant. You look after the two brothers and leave the others to me."

"That would be too long odds, Ned. I have six lives here." Doubleday here produced a revolver, the barrel of which glistened ominously in the moonlight.

"Oh, with that six shooter our job will be an easy one, as we shall have the advantage of taking the black scum by surprise."

"As I was taken that terrible night ten years ago. But come; half an hour's walk will bring us to the end of our journey. And now mind, whatever you do, if by any mischance Zadah Timour should fall into your hands, slay him not. His life belongs to me."

"Rest easy, sergeant. I will secure him and leave you to give him his coup de grace."

Without further converse we now pursued the path to our destination, an open space upon the edge or verge of the jungle distant from our bivouac three miles or a little more.

It was with a quickening pulse and beating heart that I at length, in the bright moonlight, caught sight of the old hut near the Well of the Serpents, a place known to the soldiery at Poonah as a spot where some 50 whites had been set upon by a fierce set of Afghan clans some years before and slaughtered to a man.

"As I felt assured, Evans, they have a sentry. Do you see him there leaning against the door of the hut?"

"Yes, and too motionless and silent to be on the watch. He is reclining upon a mound or something. Sergeant, that fellow has fallen asleep at his post—a sleep that to him shall be eternal."

Drawing his sword from its sheath, before I could utter a protest against such a proceeding Doubleday had glided swiftly away, and just before I gained his side had buried his bright blade deep in the breast of the doomed sentry, who, with a groan and a bubbling, gasping cry, fell with a crash against the door of the hut outside of which he had kept such faithless guard.

In a moment a dusky little crowd appeared before us who, with loud, hoarse cries, yelled out, "Death, death to the Feringhees!"

Taken by surprise, however, with no firearms, the Afghans were, like the unfortunate sentry, doomed men. Rushing forward with daggers, spears and scimiters upraised, they were received by a succession of bullets fired upon them by the infuriated sergeant, who, emptying his revolver, then dashed upon a tall, gigantic warrior, who, spared by Doubleday from his leaden messengers of death, I conjectured was his dastard foe, the man to whom he owed the loss of his wife and such bitter wrongs.

Five human forms lay by the threshold of the hut, dead and dying, while another, covered with blood from a bullet wound in his head, his jambea (dagger) raised on high, standing forward, made a blow which I avoided by darting aside at the same time that, swinging my rifle round as I did so, I caught the Afghan on the head, my weapon coming with a sickening, dreadful crash full on his skull, which splintered like glass from the force of the blow, the wretch, with a stifled groan, falling senseless at my feet.

Looking round now I beheld Sergeant Doubleday, with eyes that gleamed like fire, kneeling upon the chest of his victim, who, half stunned and incapable of further resistance, lay supine and helpless at the mercy of his conqueror.

I could not suppress a shudder as I heard the hissing accents of the infuriated sergeant as he dragged the maimed, bruised, bleeding villain toward the old well:

"I have waited ten years for this, Zadah Timour! Oh, oh, your time has come at last! I'm going to hurl you alive into the Well of the Serpents! My bride, my sister Adele, are avenged at last!"

Close beside the open mouth of the old well the sergeant had now conveyed the doomed Afghan, whose swarthy visage I perceived in the bright moonlight had turned to a leaden gray as he had recognized his assailant and heard his doom pronounced.

Instinctively, without thought, the miserable villain raised his hands as though in an attempt to fight free of that fearful grip of pent up rage and hate. Then a mournful wail rang on the night air as head first the doomed wretch was hurled 50 feet down into his horrible grave.

Standing beside the sergeant, I gazed with a shudder into the dark abyss. There was the dull echo of a heavy crash below, and then a horrible hissing noise followed.

Infested by deadly serpents, could he have been drawn up from his horrible tomb the villain Timour would still have ultimately perished.

Without a word Doubleday now hastily examined the features of the dead, pausing for a moment as he gazed upon my late assailant, now no more.

"I fancy you gave this dog his coup de grace, Evans!"

"Who is it, sergeant?"

"My sister's destroyer, Ned. Come, let us go. All is finished!"

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Exactly one year after that night upon which he had carried out his revenge poor Doubleday perished, the leader of a forlorn hope.—Boston (Lincolnshire) Guardian.

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TIMELY TURF TIPS.

Wilkes Boy, the famous son of George Wilkes, is blind.

Miss Russell is now 33 years old, her daughter, Maud S, 24, and her son, Lord Russell, 17.

H. H. Hunn, who formerly trained for Walter Hobart, has taken a string of runners to Venezuela.

R. C. Hall's 4-year-old Buddha will carry top weight, 126 pounds, in the Washington handicap at Benning April 23.

Louis Stuart has a sister to Damsel that he gave $100 for which has so developed that he refused $3,000 for her recently.

W. J. Andrews thinks that Onoqua, 2:08¼, is due this year. The great trotter has been a disappointment for the past two seasons.

The racing of Claus Forrester, 2:11¼, will be watched with interest, as there are some who claim that the horse has gone to his limit.

The New York trainers who have been fitting their horses at Fleetwood park will this season train on the running track at Guttenburg.

The clever lightweight jockey Alfred Kelly, who weighs only 65 pounds, has arrived in Lexington. He is under contract to ride for Charles Hughes.

The executive committee of the new Memphis Jockey club has appointed Colonel M. Lewis Clark presiding judge and "Kit" Chinn starter for the spring meeting.

Miss Jennings, 2:08¼, by McEwan, a wonder in 1896 and a disappointment in 1897, is stepping so well over the snow at Bradford, Pa., that her owner is encouraged.

The rather swift Pennsylvania stallion Prose, who was able to step a mile in 2:12 last year, should certainly prove a contesting factor on the European turf this season.

Jockey Valentine, a son of trainer Jim Valentine bids fair to be a cracking good lightweight this year. He has a good pair of hands and a seat that reminds one of much older riders.

It has been stated that Heber Jones is the best 2-year-old that Charley Patterson has ever trained. He is expected to win next time out. It is also said that he is as fast as May Hempstead.

The Maine mare Emma Westland, 2:19¾, has a record hard to beat if equaled. She has been in 31 show rings without meeting a single defeat and in 42 races has never been behind the money.

A Description of Golf.

Before a London court of law a case involving the playing of golf was heard, says the London Daily Telegraph, and the Q. C. engaged in it thus described for the instruction of the judge the ancient and royal game: "I believe, my lord," he said, "that the game of golf is played in irregular fields or waste grounds with a small ball, which the player tries to hit with a stick. If he succeeds in hitting the ball, he spends the remainder of the day in looking for it. That, as I am informed, my lord, is the game of golf."

The Golfing Zeal.

In the height of the snowstorm the other afternoon a young woman, clad in a red jersey and orthodox golfing suit, accompanied by a male escort and piloted by a brace of shivering caddie boys, set out to make the round of the Van Cortlandt park links. The snow was so thick that it was like playing in a fog, and half a gale swept across the course, yet the players kept on to the end, a convincing proof that the golfing zeal is superior to mere weather conditions.—New York Sun.

Captain Anson's Farewell.

Here are those
Who in the years agone have called me "corpse,"
"Leviathan" and "hippopotamus,"
"Baby elephant" and "walking tombstone,"
And given me the hoarse kiyi and heaped
Loud objurgations on my friendless head,
Groaned when I tried to steal a base and howled
"Dead bird!" if I stood still, who howled in glee
Whene'er I slid and soiled my uniform
Or filled my hair with sand, who yelled "Play ball!"
On all occasions when I kicked and swore
Profanely at me if I did not kick.
—Chicago Tribune.

BASE HITS.

Briefly, the baseball managers say that henceforth it will be regarded as ungentlemanly to kill an umpire.—Chicago Record.

We are now being apprised of the great things the local baseball team is expected to accomplish next season.—Washington Post.

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PEOPLE OF THE DAY.

John E. Wilkie, the newly appointed chief of the federal secret service, who succeeds W. B. Hazen, is a Chicago newspaper man. He is 37 years old and began as a reporter when 19 years old on the Chicago Times in Storey's day, when his father, Frank B. Wilkie, was an editorial writer. He accompanied his father to Europe, and the two represented The Times there for some time. Returning to Chicago, he again entered



JOHN E. WILKIE.

the ranks and served as financial editor and afterward as city editor of The Tribune. In 1893 he went to London as the representative of an American railroad and steamship office. He returned last year and has been in business since then. He has also done work for the government secret service, but this was unknown to most of his friends, who were not aware that he was a candidate for the position of chief of the bureau.

Our Royal Visitor.

Prince Albert of Belgium, who is just now on a visit to this country, is no callow, inexperienced youth who is for the first time seeing strange sights and new countries. Although only 23, he has traveled extensively and has already visited not only every capital in Europe, but many of the great cities of the orient. He is a fair haired youth, 5 feet 11 inches high. He is rather slender, but



PRINCE ALBERT OF BELGIUM.

upright and athletic. He brushes his hair back in the style vulgarly called pompadour. Just now he is beginning to grow a beard. He is intelligent and rather good looking. His face and nose are unusually long, characteristics strongly marked in his father, uncle and grandfather. Some day he will be king of Belgium, and his prospective kingdom is a most desirable one. He will inherit five palaces and country houses besides a fortune of something like $50,000,000, while his pay as a king will be $8,000,000 a year.

They Were All Delighted.

"Speaking of crowded street cars and the politeness of American men to women," said a well known business man of Pittsburg, "I never saw a more comical illustration of both than the other evening on an overcrowded east end car.

"We were wedged in by the conductor in a manner that would have made a French sardine packer green with envy. The aisle was wedged full, clear to the front door. The cry of 'Please move forward!' had been long since lost, for the poor conductor was so packed in among the masses of humanity that he couldn't draw enough breath to call with. The rear platform was filled, with two layers of people I might almost say. Suddenly, as we bowled along, a woman in the center of the car fairly shrieked for the conductor to stop it. That official pulled the bell cord, and the car came to a stop. But the woman could not move, and the only thing to be done was for every one in the car to the rear of her to get out first. The platform was soon cleared, and the gentlemen in the aisle filed out until a passageway for the lady was made.

"'I thank you, gentlemen,' she said as she stepped from the car. Eighteen men who had been obliged to step off to let one woman out politely lifted their hats, bowed and clambered one at a time back into the car."

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The Ways of Womankind

LENTEN FRIVOLITIES.

Bab Chats on Seasonable Topics and Incidentally Writes of Cleopatra and Her Snub Nose.

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As Lent is essentially an improving time, the average woman joins a certain number of classes and is asked to drop in as a visitor at a number more. Being that very common thing, a busy woman, I do not regularly belong to any classes, although I go to several, carrying a bunch of violets to give the president as a sort of ticket of admission.

In this way one learns an immense amount. One learns how to listen with one's eyes shut when the Egyptologist talks about the meaning of the queer hieroglyphics and impresses upon your mind that Cleopatra was a very ordinary looking little woman, with fair hair and a snub nose, whose chief charm to the Egyptians was her good complexion. That lecturer wonders why his class is so small the next week and does not realize until afterward that because of this reference to the skin of Cleopatra woman, fickle woman, lovely woman, has gone in a body of 10 or 20 to hear a beauty teacher talk about "How to Manage the Skin."

Then I have learned to stare straight into vacancy while the woman of the present bangs a gavel and talks about "the woman of the future," and I can be quietly enthusiastic on the subject of dress reform. I was not always so. There was a time when to listen to the dress reformers made my angry passions rise and I wanted to go up and tell them what I thought. But now, when some woman who has been living on overdone beef, on too much pastry, on oatmeal eaten in lumps or too many preserves gets up and tells about a well fitting corset being an invention of the devil and a pretty gown an impossibility as connected with brains, I simply smile and give myself a satisfied wriggle, which means that there is comfort in properly made corsets.

A speaker of this kind invariably meanders off and asks with much excitement, "What will the coming generation be when the woman of today is satisfied to be merely beautiful?" and I sit there and think of Dr. Schenck and of the fact that beauty is hereditary, and I remember handsome families like the Mays and the Cuttings and the Works and the Carys, and there come to me visions of the loveliest, healthiest babies I have ever seen—babies who inherited their beauty from their mothers, their bravery from their fathers, while father and mother had each contributed toward the intellect. There is untold joy in my heart when the dress reformer talks. She is very emphatic. She is usually the shape of a shingle, and she damns with a D that is intense all corsets, while she objects to pretty underwear and considers as a special work of the devil a well fitting bodice. She is down on woman's hips, those curves which are so essentially feminine and which were made so broad and strong for the purpose of carrying burdens.

The dress reformer does not believe this. She thinks that everything ought to be strung from the shoulders. You are to endure nasty, narrow tapes cutting your shoulders and making the wearing of a low bodice an impossibility so that you can string petticoats and everything else that you wear from them. Ugh! It's awful. I never made a speech in my life, but every time I hear the dress reformer speak I want somebody to get up and say what I think—that is, that nature (the dress reformer prefers to say nature, as she counts God old fashioned) would have made women with narrow hips and broad shoulders if it had been intended that her burdens be carried from them, but it was not. Consequently her shoulders are medium and her hips are big, *while man has no hips at all*—that is, to speak of—and his shoulders are supposed to be broad enough to bear the burden of feminine heads when feminine hearts are in trouble.

At a hotel where there was an alarm of fire, when we all ran just as we were without the slightest plea, I saw a dress reformer in her nightgown. Oh, but she was a sight! She certainly did live up to her theories. There was no pretty nainsook, no frills, no bits of lace and bows of ribbon. Oh, no! That nightgown was made out of some medicated material the odor of which is best likened to sewer gas, and it was cut as John Gilpin's buttons went, "straight up and down," with every suggestion of utility, but not a hint of beauty.

If the dress reformers would drop dress reforming altogether and take up eating, which is my special fad, there would be a great deal more good done, as far as the coming generation is concerned. If somebody would have the courage of her convictions and say that women need less pastry and more mutton, fewer fried and more roasted things, less cake and more good bread, and nothing fried, there would be a good outlook for the people of the future.

The average woman needs better bread and butter, especially butter, and less tea—however, I mean less bad tea, for good tea, properly made, hurts nobody. Then, too, the average woman wants to devote a longer time to dining and less to reforming the world. Her complexion will be better, her eyes clearer, her hair healthier, and her teeth will remain in her mouth longer if she eats good food, properly cooked, rather slowly and chats merrily in between. I myself believe in reformation, but every proper thinking person believes that reforms, like charity, ought to begin at home. The woman who wants to keep a man out of temptation in the evening is much apter to succeed by having a good dinner, beginning at 7 o'clock and lasting until 9, than by all the preaching in the world. After 9 o'clock the average man who has consumed a good dinner and is enjoying his smoke and a glass of cordial feels so comfortable that he doesn't want to go out, and a woman must be a fool who can't entertain a man who has had a good dinner. Why doesn't somebody start a society for the propagation of good food? I would be willing to join and to work to make it a success, and I possess a rabbit's foot and a hare's ears and am said to bring good luck.

I never grow patriotic except when I am talking about the blessings, as far as food is concerned, of the people of this country. We have everything that is good all the year round, and we have *not the sense to appreciate it.*



A NEW DINNER DRESS.

In England, where they go to an immense deal of trouble about good service and proper food, there is a time, about nine months of the year, that you have to pay a guinea for a pineapple, when oranges bring outrageous prices and are sour, and even when fruit is to the fore it costs an awful lot, and you get gooseberry tart, stewed gooseberries and fresh gooseberries.

You smile in your sleeve at the wife of a clerk on $1,000 a year in America offering a visitor such fruit, which is the best the woman with a great deal of money can get in the land governed by the queen. In both France and England the oysters are a greenish yellow in color, smell rather like ammonia and taste, oh, ye gods! The taste must be cultivated, and during the cultivation the agonies of Dante's fifth hell would be endured.

Last week an Englishman who knows how I appreciate good things to eat sent me a delightful pair of pheasants, some wonderfully good fish and three dozen oysters from the river Mersey. Those oysters were put in a wash boiler and kept alive for four days on a diet of cornmeal and water. The fifth day they were to make their appearance at a dinner party. On the morning of the fifth day it was noticed that they ate no breakfast. Later they went to the fishmonger to be opened, and in less time than it takes to tell it the fishmonger's assistant appeared on the scene with sorrow on his face and no coat on. He said he thought I would scarcely like to have the oysters on the table, as they were not quite nice. He is a modest young man, and that was the way he put it. I said to him: "Perhaps you never met an English oyster before, and its natural appearance and odor, being strange to you, seem unnice. Bring them to me and let me be the judge of their condition."

In a little while he appeared with a scarf tied around his face and a tray in his hands. He got just as far as the kitchen door, when the united voice of the family begged him to depart and take the oysters with him. He went with rapidity and presumably pleasure, and I gave my guests good American oysters, for which I always give thanks.

We used to talk about Scotch mutton. Nowadays there is mutton browsing on the Virginia hills that goes across the water and comes back marked as from the Scotch moors, and we, deluded souls, pay a higher price for it than if it were stamped American, which it is.

In London the best and most expensive beef is that labeled "From America," and English housekeepers, when they see the amount of fruit and the variety of vegetables and the good things that are so plentiful and so cheap in this land of freedom, clasp their hands and say, "What an easy time the American housekeeper must have!" And yet the American woman does not appreciate the condition of affairs. Bad food has made more trouble than anything else in this world. It has driven men to drink and, worse than that, to dyspepsia, while it has ruined the looks of many a pretty woman. Overdone meat, expressive butter, weighty bread and badly set tables have made men murderers mentally if not in actuality.

It does not cost a cent more to have a decent dinner than to have a bad one. It is true it may take a little more time and thought, but that time and that thought are well expended. The average woman belonging to the proper sort of society, which is the one I suggest should be started, would take proper pride in her dinner table, would get to know the delights of hospitality and would make her home the greatest enemy to the barrooms and all the undesirable and wicked haunts that attract men.

By the bye, if you are feminine, and the chances are ten to one that you are, you will be interested in three dresses that are absolutely new, of which I inclose you the pictures. The girl in the walking dress has on a satin cloth of the new shade of gray, trimmed with black braid and black silk. Her parasol is gray chiffon and her hat gray straw, trimmed with white gauze and black wings. Isn't that white dress a darling? I mean the one that is made entirely of lace insertion and dotted muslin. The other gown is a dinner dress of chiffon, embroidered with white pearl beads, with accordion plaited chiffon on the shoulders. The hat, which makes it certain that the dinner is at some fashionable restaurant, is of cerise velvet, embroidered in pearls, with a bunch of cerise chiffon on one side and a white ostrich tip just behind it. How well those Frenchwomen pose! How careful they are to get the right sort of background! They know how to have the harmonies in life. But there is nothing after all like being in harmony with your background, with yourself and with your fellow man. There are some things we are all in harmony about.

We are all in harmony about the beauty of the close fitting cloth suit if worn by the right woman, whose curves are caught on to even by the irreverent messenger boy.

We are all in harmony about the value of the telegraph, though we fail to see why the ordinary operator cannot spell correctly, and if our name is Katherine with a K insists on spelling it with a C.

We are all in harmony as to the beauty of a new bonnet, even if its value as rated by you and me be different from that as rated by the milliner.

We are a pretty harmonious lot, take us all in all, for nobody is anxious to go to war, but if war does come we will meet the people who want to fight and show them just how valuable we are in a fight, won't we? Of course we will. Your neighbor thinks so, and so does her neighbor, who is next door neighbor to

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A NOVEL WHITE DRESS.

WOMEN DETECTIVES.

Nine Bright Women Aid Uncle Sam In Guarding New York Against Female Smugglers.

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New York, March 10.—When a big steamship from some foreign port anchors at quarantine for the health officer's visit, the would be smuggler, man or woman, must certainly experience a thrill of nervousness at the idea that the crisis of the voyage is at hand.

If it be the amateur, with some small article stowed away in his trunk or secreted on his person, he probably will feel more fearsome qualms than the experienced smuggler, the lining of whose garments may be padded with fine lace or unset gems or who perhaps has distributed his goods among the baggage of immigrants in the steerage hired for the purpose of bringing over contraband goods.

Many people have claimed that there is a certain unique pleasure in amateur smuggling: that the idea of eluding the law's vigilance imparts an extra flavor to cigars and liquors, and that satins and laces on which no duty has been paid take on an added luster in the wearer's eyes. Women have always been fond of smuggling, but it is only within comparatively recent years that they have made it a profession, acting in collusion with men who get thousands of dollars' worth of goods into the country each year free of the custom house charge.

Uncle Sam keeps a watchful eye on this department, however, and it was not until women began to smuggle as a trade that he found his duties more exacting than ever before. The style of the dress of women allowed fuller scope for the secretion of goods, and the obstacles in the way of accusing and searching women passengers were many.

It was then that Uncle Sam engaged the services of women detectives, or inspectresses, for the purpose of observing women passengers as they left the steamers and examining those who might be suspected of smuggling.

Twenty years ago women were not feared as smugglers as they are today. While there were precautions taken and examinations made when suspicion justified it the profession of women inspectors was as yet in its infancy. Within the last 15 years there have been so many attempts on the part of women to smuggle goods into the country that the number of women inspectors has been increased to nine, who are at present employed by the New York custom house.

These women have nearly all occupied their positions for 10 and in some cases for 12 years. They are all women over 25 years of age, although there is no restriction against younger women. They must pass the civil service examination with success to be eligible for the post of woman inspector and are paid at the rate of $3 a day, working seven days every week. The work, while requiring keenness of perception and intelligence, is comparatively light, the day's duties being completed, except in rare instances, before the afternoon of each day.

Through the courtesy of Surveyor Croft of the custom house I was enabled to learn the names of the women at present acting as customs inspectors. They are Eliza Ellis, Mary McQueeny, Marie L. Stuart, Annie A. Walsh, Mary W. Clark, Ella M. Cleary, Christine K. Allen, Gennie Ferris and Mary Darragh.

All of these women, with a few exceptions, have held their positions for several years. Marie Stuart, one of the most recently appointed, going on the list in September, 1895. Eliza Ellis has been inspectress since June, 1887; Christine Allen, since August, 1887; Gennie Ferris, August, 1887, and Mrs. Mary Clark, July, 1887. Mary McQueeny has been in the employ of the government since December, 1886, and Annie Walsh's and Mary Darragh's appointments are dated respectively June, 1886, and June, 1887.

It is not every day, of course, that women suspected of smuggling arrive on the ships from abroad. In fact, it is the exception when such cases occur. In other instances two women are detailed to watch the immigrants who are brought in a tug to the custom house dock. As they pass down the gangplank their bearing and appearance are noted, and any suspicious rotundity of person results in an examination.

As a rule, the immigrant woman is lightly clad, and an examination is easily and quickly concluded. In cases where the evidence justifies a case of smuggling the woman suspected is obliged to disrobe. There is no discourtesy of treatment, and this last emergency is only resorted to in cases where there is actual evidence of attempted smuggling.

A woman inspectress also observes the cabin passengers as they land on the dock. Where there is suspicion information is privately conveyed to the inspectress before the passengers embark, and she requests the suspected woman as politely as possible to step into the cabin for the purpose of being searched. In justice to the inspectresses it is only right to say that innocent people have never been subjected to this search. Indisputable evidence is generally secured before this is resorted to.

One of the women, who has been for many years in the employ of the custom house in New York, told me that the means resorted to by women smugglers in their efforts to get goods into the country free of duty were so ingenious that they compelled admiration.

"The woman smuggler," she said, "is the nerviest type of criminal. As a rule, she is working in collusion with some man, although there have been instances where dressmakers have attempted to smuggle in laces and things of this sort entirely for their own gain. The bustle was one of the most favorite modes of conveying smuggled goods ashore, and when the very large bustle was used a season or two ago it was possible for a woman to get in whole pieces of silk and rolls of lace in this way.

"Then linings were utilized to sew lace and other fancy articles in, and in some cases so secure did the would be smuggler feel of herself that she hardly made any effort to conceal the deception; at least it would seem so to the trained eye of the inspectress, who could at once detect something wrong in the hang of a skirt or the set of a jacket.

"When detected, the woman smuggler as a rule resorts to tears and then 'gives away' her male accomplice, but if she be an old offender her manner is that of all criminals, cool and defiant. These women are invariably richly dressed and have plenty of money and jewels, so it would seem that they make it pay in spite of the precautions that are taken.

"One of the strangest cases we have had was that of a German immigrant woman whose baby's body was wound around with more than 50 yards of lace. She had been employed by a woman smuggler in the cabin and hardly understood what her offense was when she was confronted with the evidence of it. This baby, by the way, was the youngest smuggler on the records, being only 13 months old. It was allowed to go with a reprimand.

"The restrictions that are employed at present by the customs officers make smuggling a more difficult task than ever before. The examinations are no longer superficial, and there is a special watch kept on board ship during a voyage. No doubt women of respectable appearance who are clever enough to avoid suspicion will always be able to get in small articles such as lace, fans, jewels, etc., for it would not do to accuse people wrongfully. But since the employment of women as inspectresses the woman smuggler has ceased to be as daring as of old.

"There are some important cases of attempted smuggling on the part of women who are about to start from the other side with goods which are to be smuggled into this country if possible, and in some of these cases a cable will call an inspectress to the port from which the suspected woman is to sail. She is observed closely during the voyage and her acquaintance sought for by the inspectress, masquerading in some other role for the time. In this way many smugglers have been detected."

KATE MASTERSON.



NEW WALKING DRESS.

The Retort Hostile.

At a recent Washington reception there was a short but sharp interchange of courtesies between the wealthy wife of an ex-congressman and the wife of a far from rich bureau chief.

It was a crowded afternoon affair, and the ex-congressman's wife was assisting the hostess in receiving guests. When the wife of the bureau official was presented, the hostess said to the woman of the receiving party: "You know Mrs. Blank, don't you?" "Certainly," said the ex-congressman's wife. "I would know her anywhere by that pink dress."

The cheeks of the bureau official's wife were suffused with a rosy glow, but she turned on her tormentor and said, "Probably if my husband had been mixed up in as many questionable transactions as yours, madam, it would not be necessary for me to wear my pink reception dress so often as to cause comment."

Every word rang out clear and sharp upon the ears of the astonished guests. Inasmuch as there has been frequent criticism of the ex-congressman for his connection with questionable lobby transactions, the force of the bureau official's wife's retort can readily be imagined.

The Ideal Hostess.

Ideal hostesses are rare, and opinions differ as to what constitutes them, no two definitions being exactly alike. In a recent discussion of the subject several society women recited their ideas of the various qualities an ideal hostess should possess, as follows:

She must make you feel individually that you are the favored guest. She must make you feel perfectly at home. She must see everything and yet possess the art of seeming to see nothing. She must never look bored. She must know how to keep conversation always going. She must never let any one be slighted or overlooked. She must know when to ask the amateur musician to display his or her talents. She must be perfectly unselfish about her own pleasures. She must not neglect her guests and at the same time must not give them too much of her society. She must remember that nothing is so tiresome, so surely death to all enjoyment, as the feeling that one is being "entertained."

In short, the ideal hostess must, above everything, possess patience and that almost indescribable quality known as tact.

ALL ABOUT WOMEN.

Miss Margaret Long, second daughter of Secretary Long, has passed a brilliant examination and matriculated in the medical department of Johns Hopkins university.

Though always elegant and perfectly dressed, the Princess of Wales by no means errs on the side of extravagance. Her royal highness has been known to wear a gown three successive seasons when it suited her and remained fresh and handsome.

Miss S. M. Burche and Miss Mamie Fossett, stenographers and deputies in the office of C. H. Thompson, United States marshal, are the first women deputy marshals to do active field work in Oklahoma.

The society young women of Grand Rapids, Mich., have for three years given successful bench shows, and their third annual exhibition cleared in the neighborhood of $1,000. The young women who planned these popular shows call themselves the Butterfly Bench Show Association of Grand Rapids, and they apply their profits to the maintaining of a free bed in a hospital and the assisting of the sick poor of their city.

The Princess Ena of Battenberg, whose first birthday was Oct. 24, 1887, is the only royal child born in Scotland for nearly 300 years—in fact, since the birth of the ill fated Charles I in the year 1600. Prince Donald of Battenberg is the first royal prince born north of the Tweed since 1600. He was born in 1891. Both these children appeared in the world in October.

Governor Lowndes of Maryland has called the legislature's special attention to the excellent work done by Mrs. Anne B. Jeffers during the two years that she has held the position of state librarian. The governor states that this was the first important state appointment to be held by a woman and declares that the results have fully justified this departure from established precedents.

Mrs. Maria N. Buckman of Boston is secretary of the Egyptian Exploration fund and editor of The Biblia, an authority on all archæological matters.

The Natural Foot society is gaining ground in China. Chinese ladies who have associated themselves with modern notions are among the leaders in the new movement. A school for Chinese girls has been opened in Shanghai where no girls with bound feet will be admitted, and only daughters of upper class families may enter.

A young English lady, who has not long been in Bengal, has decided on becoming a yogi, or Hindoo nun. She has already put on the ocher robe and has planned out a course of work to be carried on in India, the main object of which is the spiritual regeneration of Hindooism, which is at present in a somewhat low state.

It has been decided by the county court of New York and affirmed by the second appellate division that a wife cannot sue her husband for assault and battery, since in the eye of the law the husband and wife are one.

The wife of the "Grand Francais," M. de Lesseps, spends the greater part of the year at La Chesnage, where her husband died. She receives a pension of $24,000 a year from the Suez Canal company.

Mrs. Susan E. Wattles, who has just died in Kansas, was the widow of Augustus Wattles, the close friend and coworker of John Brown in the "underground railway."

The friends of Mrs. Theodore Thomas consider that they have achieved a victory in the election of Mrs. Uhl as president of the Federation of Amateur Musical Clubs.

The sarcophagus which is to contain the body of Mrs. Grant has been placed beside the receptacle that holds the remains of General Grant in the tomb in Riverside park, New York city.

Mrs. Gladstone has just celebrated her eighty-sixth birthday. The elder of the two daughters of Sir Stephen Glynne, she was married to Mr. Gladstone on July 25, 1839. Her sister, Miss Mary Glynne, on the same day became the wife of Lord Lyttelton.

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And Both Pursuer and Pursued Dodged. John Connors Just Out of Concord. Convicted of Larceny and Appeals.

John Connors was in court this morning charged with larceny from person. He was found guilty and sentenced to Concord reformatory. He appealed and was held for the grand jury under $400 bonds.

Connors' arrest was brought about last night by Yalsain Daignault who complained to the police that he had been robbed of $51.55. He said he had been in Bernard & Cumm's saloon and went to sleep in a back room. When he awoke his money was gone.

The police began investigating the case. They noticed that Connors, who was released from the Concord reformatory February 14, was spending money quite freely, and he was at once suspected. Officers Scully and Houran and Peter Cumm started to find him. When Connors saw them coming on Main street he started to run through Furnace street. Mr. Cumm was nearest the man, and a great foot race resulted. Officer Scully from the rear called to Connors to stop or he would shoot.

The command was not obeyed, and the officer fired into the air. Connors and Cumm each thought himself in danger, and pursuer and pursued dropped to the ground simultaneously. They soon saw their mistake, and were on their feet again in quick order. But their delay had given the officers time to catch up, and after a short race up the hill Connors was captured.

A search showed that Connors only had $2.08 on his person. When asked for the rest of the money he disclaimed all knowledge of any more money but was shaken in his story when the officers on their way back to the police station found it on the road where he had thrown it.

Another Good Attraction.

Repertoire plays at popular prices are proving themselves to be very popular indeed in this city. Columbia theater was crowded to the doors last night and many were turned away, at the opening night of the Kennedy Players. The performance was a good one in almost every respect, the specialties being the strong feature. Flora, the dancer, captured the audience with her picture dances, and will undoubtedly prove one of the leading features of the week. The play, "The Midnight Express," was well put on, Edward Sullivan being easily the star. The two Kennedys were also good, and the three together were able to carry the play successfully, while the support was fair. The play tonight will be "The Two Thieves," and tomorrow afternoon "Slaves Before the War." Tomorrow night it will be "The Two Orphans."

Capt. Darby and the Post Office.

Capt. W. F. Darby, who will enter on the duties of postmaster for his second term about April 1, secured bondsmen and qualified Monday. He also appointed C. S. Larabee assistant postmaster, and Mr. Larabee qualified. He has been in the post office for over 14 years, and his reappointment will be welcomed by all who have business in the office. He was general delivery clerk and succeeded Junius Temple as assistant postmaster under Postmaster Tyler. He served through the Rice, Darby and Lyons administrations, and will now continue under the second Darby regime.

Since Mr. Larabee has been connected with the office he has seen a wonderful development in the postal facilities of this city. When he first connected himself with the postoffice the allowance for clerk hire was about $1100 a year; now it is over $3100, which of course does not include the carrier delivery expense

POWNAL.

Schools are to begin about April 11. There will be no change probably in the teachers in this village. In view of the fact that several of the village pupils attended other schools, the directors have ordered that the adjacent schools receive no pupils from this school.

Thomas Murphy is moving into the Hannah Burt house.

Thomas Harris will carry on the Frederick Pratt place this year.

Twenty names were ready to sign the "Creamery" organization on Saturday.

—Charles B. Lacy of this city and Miss Mattie Lampman of Greenwich, N. Y. were married March 19 by Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown.

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THE LAWYERS DISAGREED.

Legal Technicalities Disturb the District Court This Morning.

Affairs were in a badly muddled condition for a time in the district court this morning. The cases of Adelbert Braymer for disturbing the peace and for being a fugitive from justice were before the court. Lawyer Magenis appeared for the commonwealth and Lawyer Niles for Braymer.

Mr. Magenis asked for a continuance of the case but Mr. Niles did not want it. He contested that the commonwealth should have been ready and said that he demanded immediate trial on the charge of disturbing the peace, Mr. Magenis said he was not ready for trial and wanted to go to Boston. Mr. Niles said his client should not be made to stay in jail several days to suit the convenience of the representative, and said that no bonds or bail could be placed on the defendant until a hearing was given.

Then Mr. Magenis said he would try the case for being a fugitive from justice, but Mr. Niles said the cases against Frank Fletcher had been taken up and thus the case in dispute would have to go over until afternoon. But Mr. Magenis wanted to take the afternoon train for Boston. Judge Phelps came to the rescue and said he would defer the case before the court and let Braymer be tried for being a fugitive from justice. Mr. Niles objected to this and so the cases against Braymer were continued until Friday morning.

Braymer is wanted in Troy, N. Y., for grand larceny in the second degree and burglary in the third degree. It is alleged he entered Warren H. Whitman's store and stole eleven hams and a shoulder of beef. District Attorney's Officer Murnane of Troy is in this city waiting for Braymer.

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Much Local Interest in the Coming Meeting.

The Methodists of this city and vicinity are looking forward with much interest to the annual meeting of the Troy conference which will be held at Saratoga Springs beginning April 20. Among the most important changes to be made is that in the church in this city, where Rev. Dr. Brown has completed the constitutional term. As already announced, Rev. J. A. Hamilton will be sent here.

Rev. I. D. Van Valkenburg of the Fifth avenue church in Troy is also completing his term, and Rev. H. S. Rowe of Burlington, Vt., Rev. C. L. Hall of Ballston and Rev. Dr. D. W. Gates of Rutland, desire to be removed to new pastoral fields at the coming session. There will also doubtless be additional changes not now foreseen. Bishop Mallalieu of Auburndale, Mass., who is to preside at the meeting of the conference is a native of New England, was for many years a prominent and influential member of New England conference, and while in the pastorate and presiding eldership of that body had most to do with the conduct of its affairs. He was elected to his present position in 1884, and for some time thereafter resided in the south.

The regular sessions of the conference will be held in the morning each day. The bishop will address the candidates for admission to the body Friday or Saturday, will preach Sunday morning, and will conduct the ordination services Sunday afternoon.

At the last session of the conference the membership of its churches was reported as 44,671, the probationers 4,177. Officers and teachers of Sunday schools 5,854; scholars, 41,338. Number of churches 348, and parsonages 218, the former being valued at $2,338,500, and the latter at $403,750. The churches contributed for benevolent purposes during the year closing last April $61,136, and for the support of the ministry, $242,121.

Will Attend Springfield Banquet.

Secretary Webster of the Springfield board of trade called on Mayor Cady a day or two ago to invite him to attend the annual banquet of the board, which will be held Monday evening, April 4. Colonel Waring of New York will be the principal speaker, music will be furnished by the Marine band and the occasion is expected to be one of the most elaborate in the history of the organization. Mayor Cady told Mr. Webster that he could not decline an invitation which so much pains had been taken to extend and promised that if nothing happened he would be present at the banquet.

MARRIED.

In this city, March 19, by Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown, Charles B. Lacy of this city and Mattie Lampman of Greenwich, N. Y.

DIED.

In this city, March 21, Abbondro Salice, aged 42 years.

A Spring Notice.

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WORK ON THE SEWERS.

How Far the Plans For Improvement Will Be Carried.

The opening of spring makes rumors in regard to public works during the coming season more active, and a number of statements have been made, especially in regard to work on the sewers. It has been stated by those interested in the South State street improvement plans that the city was to borrow $50,000 for sewer work this season, and that the work would be pushed.

Members of the city council had heard little of this and were somewhat surprised at the amount to be borrowed. It is probable, however, that the sum has been overstated. The city council will undoubtedly have presented a plan to borrow some money for sewers this season, but in all probability it will not be $50,000. The matter is not expected to be taken up at the next city council meeting, although it is still uncertain.

The original plan of freeing from contamination the two branches of the river which flow through the city will be followed in the work which is to be done. Already the north branch is largely freed from sewage, and but little more work remains there. There is still need of considerable work on the south branch, into which there is a good deal of sewage. The case on the south branch presents some difficulties, but within the next two years, it is hoped to have all the sewage enter the river below the city.

BLACKINTON.

William J. Mackey spent Monday in Springfield on business.

John Grimes of Carolina, R. I., is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Arthur N. Smith and son Gordon arrived home Monday evening from Clifton Springs, N. Y. Master Gordon is much benefited by the change.

Miss Jeanie Eadie has accepted a position as stenographer at the Brown Sanitorium in North Adams.

At a special meeting of the Father Mathew society held Monday evening William Ganey and Albert Bressette were added to the present board of trustees, making the board consist of seven instead of five members.

The state road just east of the residence of William Gove and as far as the residence of George Rickards is in a bad condition, being badly broken up and the clay oozing to the surface in several places. The state highway engineer has been in Westfield and is expected here in a short time to inspect it.

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The buildings near the house on the Crawford estate, rented by Byron Brimmer in the town of Petersburgh were burned to the ground Thursday morning, March 17. The fire was first discovered by S. J. Eldred's hired man, who lives in the house on his hill farm, when starting to his work about 4 a. m. He saw smoke over the river at Mr. Brimmer's and hurried down the hill, waked up Mr. Eldred, and they soon were over the river. By this time the smoke had given way to a good blaze. With great difficulty the house was saved. The cheese house, sheds, barn, corn house, etc, were destroyed.

Medore Bessonette is moving into one of Marcus Whipple's tenements near the lime kilns.

A play was given in Academy hall Thursday night, for the benefit of the new Catholic church here. Most of the parts were rendered by parties from Pownal.

A graphophone entertainment will be given for the benefit of the M. E. church Monday evening, March 21 in Academy hall. A graphophone which can be heard by 3000 persons will be used.

John Trombly died Sunday, March 13, about 11 a. m. The funeral was held Tuesday forenoon at the Catholic church. He was buried in the North Pownal cemetery.

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